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To our Customers and Correspondents:

The surprising development of our national resources, and the rapidity with which the Government is now enabled to reduce the national debt by weekly purchases, render it apparent that the time is approaching when the Five-twenty bonds may be funded at not over four or four and a half per cent. interest.

Meanwhile their high price, as compared with other classes of securities paying an equal rate of interest, is leading to general inquiry for more profitable forms of investment in which money may be safely invested.

During the war the necessities and peril of the Government, and the consequent cheapness of its securities, rendered them so attractive that, from this cause, combined with the patriotic faith of the people in their safety, they absorbed almost the entire floating capital of the country, and diverted attention from other classes of securities which had before been deemed sufficiently conservative and sound to meet the wants of the most cautious investors.

The Government is no longer a borrower. It no longer needs the country's capital, but desires gratefully and honorably to repay it.

The rapid accumulation of capital for investment, and the reduction of the national debt and improvement of the national credit—rendering it certain that hereafter but a comparatively low rate of interest can be derived from investment in Government bonds—is compelling the search for other safe and well-guarded channels into which capital not employed in business may wisely flow.

The enterprises of Peace, no less needful in their time and place, for the common welfare, than were the waste and cost of War, now call for the capital which the Government no longer needs, and offer for its use a remuneration which the Government must no longer pay, and in some cases a security as stable and enduring as the faith of the nation itself.

The desire to capitalize the premium which may now be realized upon Five-twenty bonds, and which a material decline in Gold toward par, and the ability of the Government to fund them at a lower rate of interest, may at any time extinguish, is felt by many holders who desire some satisfactory assurance as to which of the many lower-priced securities in the market would afford the necessary safety to justify an exchange.

The applications for information and advice which are addressed to us daily, show how universal is the desire for this assurance, as to what forms of investment are available than Government securities at present market rates, are entitled to the confidence of investors.

The pressure of this want has led us to feel the importance of directing our own attention as bankers, our large experience, and our facilities for obtaining reliable information, to the work of supplying it in some measure, and to offer the results of our inquiries to those who may be disposed to confide in our good faith and judgment.

We are unwilling to offer to our friends and the public anything which according to our best judgment is not as secure as the national obligations themselves, with which we have hitherto principally identified ourselves.

Since closing the GREAT CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD LOAN, which meets all these requirements, we have carefully examined many others, but have found no other which would fully do so until the following was placed in our hands:

FIRST MORTGAGE
SIX PER CENT. GOLD BONDS
OF THE
WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY
OF CALIFORNIA.

The Western Pacific Railroad, connecting Sacramento with San Francisco, furnishes the final link in the extraordinary fact of an unbroken line of rail from the shore of the Atlantic to that of the Pacific.

It is 200 miles in length, including a short branch, and it will be the

METROPOLITAN LINE
OF THE PACIFIC COAST,

connecting its chief cities, and traversing the garden of the rich and growing State of California, receiving, in addition to an immense and lucrative local traffic, the through business over the Union and Central Pacific Railroads—between the Eastern States and

It is completed, fully equipped, and in successful operation, and its earnings in October, the first full month, amounted to $100,000 in coin. The net earnings will, by a moderate estimate, amount to $600,000 per annum, in coin, while the interest on its bonds will be but $168,000.

The value of the property and franchises is not less than

TEN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS,

and the amount of the mortgage is

$2,500,000.

The bonds are of $1,000 each, have thirty years to run, and will be sold at

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AND ACCRUED INTEREST,

in currency. They are made payable, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST, IN GOLD COIN, in the City of New-York. Coupons due January and July 1.

The near approach of the time when the United States can probably fund the greater portion of the six per cent. debt, is naturally causing inquiry for other forms of investment, which will afford satisfactory security with the same rate of interest. THE WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS must have an immense advantage over all other securities based upon merely local or unconsolidated railroads, and may be held with as much confidence as Government bonds, or as first-class mortgages on New-York City property.

The loan is small in amount, the claims to consolidation are apparent. It will be rapidly taken. Bonds will be delivered as the orders are received.

Government bonds received at their full market value in exchange.

FISK & HATCH, Bankers.

WASHINGTON.

Government Work for the Poor of the South.

GENERAL HOWARD'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Review of the Work of the Freedmen's Bureau.

Improved Condition of the Colored People.

The Forthcoming Message of President Grant.

Health of Senator Grimes—The Will of Amos Kendall—The Methodist Memorial Church—Condition of Southern Banks—Miscellaneous.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—The Freedmen's Bureau, so far as its organization as a physical and material help to the colored race and white refugees was concerned, expired by limitation of law on the 31st of December, 1868; but the educational work and the bounty claims business for colored soldiers was continued by the same law which terminated its material functions. No appropriations have been made for it since the Winter of 1867, and its philanthropic work of educating the children of the freedmen is now carried on by the balances husbanded from former appropriations and realized from the rental of Bureau buildings and the sale of abandoned property. In all other matters the Bureau is a thing of the past; but it still lives in this shape to do its part in removing the reproach of ignorance among the children of the South, and in protecting the colored soldier in the receipt of the bounty which Congress has said is justly his due. General HOWARD, who still remains Commissioner, has just issued his annual report, which is largely retrospective in its treatment of the operations of the Bureau. The Commissioner thus remarks upon the closing up of the Bureau under the law:

"Since my last annual report material changes have been made in the operation of the Bureau, in accordance with the acts of Congress relating thereto. The act of July 25, 1868, required the Commissioner to cause the Bureau to be withdrawn from the several States within which said Bureau has acted, and its operations, excepting the educational and county divisions, to be discontinued on the first day of January, 1869. Orders were issued and measures adopted for effecting this change with the least possible violence. Notice was given to officers, agents and clerks that their services would not be needed after Dec. 31, 1868. The freedmen were early informed that they must look to their civil Magistrates for protection of their rights and redress of their wrongs; that the supplies of food and clothing for the destitute, indolence and care for the sick, and transportation of laborers to new homes, and all oversight and assistance in making new contracts, must very soon cease. Disbursing officers were instructed to settle outstanding accounts and to sell the public property no longer needed and the abandoned lands still reported, but of very little value, were ordered to be restored to the owners thereof, or dropped from the returns. These orders were promptly executed, and the law strictly enforced, with one exception. It was found that the freedmen's hospitals at New-Orleans, La., Vicksburg, Miss., Louisville, Ky., Richmond, Va., and Washington, D. C., could not be closed all at once without exposing many utterly helpless patients to great distress. The local authorities refused to assume the charge of these hospitals, and after consulting the Secretary of War and receiving his approval, it was determined to continue them until an appeal could be made to Congress for further action. Three of these have since been closed, and only those in Richmond, Va., and in this city remain, whose continuance was authorized by an act of Congress approved April 7, 1869. The reduction of force and work within the last year will be seen from the following comparison: One year ago there were on duty in this bureau 141 commissioned officers, 412 civilian agents, and 348 clerks; at present there are 18 commissioned officers, 71 civilian agents, and 72 clerks. A year ago clothing and rations were distributed to the destitute costing $98,705 per month; at present no such supplies are issued, except to the sick in hospitals. At the date of the last annual report there were in operation twenty-one hospitals, and forty-eight dispensaries, with 8,999 patients and eighty-three surgeons; now there are two hospitals, no dispensaries, with 541 patients and five surgeons. During the last year transportation was furnished to 6,481 persons, and 4,815 packages of stores, at a cost of $24,840 per month; now no transportation orders are issued, and the only expenditure for this service for mileage or actual expenses of officers traveling under orders, and all disbursements are now made from this office. Accurate records are kept of all financial transactions, and a minute history of every claimant's account which is settled through this Bureau. So long as the educational and bounty divisions shall be continued it will not be practicable nor safe to make any further reduction of the force now employed in this office and the several States."

General HOWARD then goes on to make an extended review of the work of the Bureau from the date of its organization, in March, 1865, down to the present time. He depicts with much force the sad condition of affairs among the race the Bureau was established to befriend. He says:

"The first reports received from these officers present a sad picture of want and misery. Though large sums of money had been contributed by generous Northern people; though many noble-hearted men and women, with the spirit of true Christian missionaries, had engaged zealously in the work of relief and instruction; though the heads of Departments in Washington and military commanders in the field had done all in their power, yet the great mass of the colored people just freed from slavery had not been reached. In every State many thousands were found without employment, without home, without means of subsistence, crowding into towns and about military posts, where they hoped to find protection and supplies. The sudden collapse of the rebellion making emancipation an actual, universal fact, was like an earthquake. It shook and shattered the whole social system. It broke up the old industries, and threatened a reign of anarchy. Even the well-disposed and humane land-owners were at a loss what to do, or how to begin the work of reorganizing society and of rebuilding their ruined fortunes. Very few had any knowledge of free labor or any hope that their former slaves would serve the faithfully for wages. On the other hand, the freed people were in a state of great excitement and uncertainty. They could hardly believe that the liberty proclaimed was real and permanent. Many were afraid to remain on the same soil that they had tilled as slaves, lest, by some trick, they might find themselves again in bondage. Others supposed that the Government would either take the entire supervision of their labor and support or divide among them the lands of conquered rebels and furnish them with all that might be necessary to begin life as independent farmers. In such an unsettled state of affairs it was no ordinary task to inspire hostile races with mutual confidence, to supply the immediate wants of the sick and starving, to restore social order, and to set in motion all the wheels of industry.

The Commissioner then recounts the operations of the Bureau, and the various modes whereby relief was extended. This relief was by no means confined to the colored people. The suffering among the whites was so great that General HOWARD, who had no authority to grant relief to other than freedmen and refugees, determined to present the matter to Congress. He says:

"And when early in 1867 very urgent appeals for help came to us from many parts of the South, I addressed a communication to the President on the subject, which led to the passage of a joint resolution approved March 2, 1867, the Secretary of War was directed to issue through this Bureau supplies of food sufficient to prevent starvation and extreme want to any and all classes of destitute or helpless persons in those Southern and Southwestern States where failure of the crops rendered such issues necessary. In accordance with this resolution $500,000 were set apart for a special relief fund, and food was given to 88,343 persons daily, for a period of four months, no distinction being made between whites and blacks, loyal and disloyal. Adding these to the number of refugees and freedmen before given, the average number of persons daily assisted in the year ending Sept. 1, 1867, was 21,105. During the next year, ending Sept. 1, 1868, the average number assisted was 16,804; and during the last year, ending Sept. 1, 1869, the average number has been 1,963; many of the latter were children, receiving half rations only. During the same period clothing has been purchased and distributed, at a cost of $262,547 35; in addition to this a large amount of army clothing, condemned as unfit for issue to troops, was transferred to this Bureau by the Quartermaster's Department and given to the poor and needy. This exhibit of rations and clothing furnished shows that the Bureau has not been a pauperizing agency. It has not encouraged idleness and vagrancy. It has not existed for the benefit of able-bodied beggars. The wonder is not that so many but that so few have needed help; that of the four millions of people thrown suddenly upon their own resources, only one in about two hundred has been an object of public charity, and nearly all who have received aid have been persons who, by reason of age, infirmity or disease, would be objects of charity in any state and at any time."

General HOWARD then recounts the efforts made by the Bureau to secure employment for the freedmen, and to encourage them to labor faithfully by compelling an observation of contracts on both sides. He produces much testimony of his subordinate officers to show how successful was the result of these efforts, and adds:

"A vast amount of such testimony to the industry and progress of the freed people could be gathered from the records of this office, and it is confirmed by the fact that the great mass of freedmen are now self-supporting, and that many have commenced planting and other business on their own account. In spite of all disorders that have prevailed and the misfortunes that have fallen upon many parts of the South, a good degree of prosperity and success has already been attained. To the oft-repeated slander that the negroes will not work and are incapable of taking care of themselves, it is a sufficient answer that their voluntary labor has produced nearly all the food that has supported the whole people, besides a large amount of rice, sugar and tobacco for export, and two millions of bales of cotton each year, on which was paid into the United States Treasury during the years 1866 and 1867 a tax of more than forty millions of dollars. It is not claimed that this result is wholly due to the care and oversight of this Bureau, but it is safe to say, as it has been said repeatedly by intelligent Southern men, that without the Bureau or some similar agency, the national interests of the country would have greatly suffered, and the Government would have lost a far greater amount than has been expended in its maintenance."

On the subject of education, General HOWARD remarks that it was, after all—

"The most urgent need of the freedmen, and from the first he devoted more personal attention to that than to any other branch of the work. Thus even before he had any funds specifically appropriated for this purpose, he organized the work of education by using the funds derived from rents of 'abandoned property,' by fitting up for schoolhouses such Government buildings as were no longer needed for military purposes, by giving transportation to teachers, books and school furniture, and by granting subsistence. In this way he was able to give material aid to all engaged in the educational work. With the aim to harmonize the numerous independent agencies in the field and assist all impartially, I appointed a Superintendent of Schools for each State, who should collect information, encourage the organization of new schools, find homes for teachers and supervise the whole work. The law of July 16, 1866, sanctioned all that had been previously done and enlarged my powers. It authorized the lease of buildings for the purpose of education, and the sale of Confederate States property to create an educational fund. Appropriations were also made for the rental, construction and repair of school-buildings. This enabled me to give a more permanent character to the schools, and to encourage the establishment of institutions of a higher grade. In each State, at least, one Normal school has been organized for the training of teachers, and several chartered colleges for the freed people are already in successful operation. In addition to these, an institution of still higher grade, a University, has been founded in this district, incorporated by Congress, and designed to furnish facilities for classical, scientific and professional culture. In all the schools of every grade the number of pupils has steadily increased, and the standard of scholarship has rapidly advanced. At the end of the first year, July 1, 1866, the official report gave 975 schools, 1,405 teachers, 90,778 pupils. In 1869, the official reports give 2,118 schools, 2,455 teachers, and 1,145,529 pupils. These figures do not include many evening and private schools which have not been reported. It is believed that not less than 250,000 colored adults and children have received some instruction during the past year. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon our noble band of Christian teachers who have carried on successfully the work of education. Many of them have come from the very best circles of refined and cultivated society, and have been exposed to privations, hardships and perils which would have discouraged any who were not moved by the spirit of the Divine teacher. To them belongs the credit, in a great measure, for all that has been accomplished, but much as has been done General HOWARD remarks that the need of more is still greater. The necessity, he says, 'has already led to the organization of a system of free schools in some of the reconstructed States. Until this is done in every State, and such public schools are in practical operation, the safety of the country, and especially of the South, will demand the continuance, by some agency, of the educational work now carried on by the Bureau. Not only this, but means should be provided for greatly extending these operations to meet the wants of the whole people. The foregoing report shows that not more than one-tenth of the children of freedmen are attending school. Their parents are not yet able to defray the expenses of education. They are already doing something, probably more in proportion to their means than any other class. During the last year it is estimated that they have raised and expended for the construction of school houses and the support of teachers not less than $200,000. They have shown a willingness to help, and as they prosper and acquire property they will assume a larger share of the burden either by voluntary contributions or by the payment of taxes for the support of schools.

The remainder of the report is devoted chiefly to a review of the work of the Bureau in the payment of colored bounty claims, which work was imposed upon it by the act of Congress of March 29, 1867. Previous to that time the claims of colored soldiers were paid upon their order to the attorneys and claim agents who had prepared and forwarded the applications. Great complaint was made that the soldiers were defrauded of their money by numerous crafty devices. Dishonest villainy imposed upon confiding ignorance, and the colored soldiers became the victims. They appealed to the bureau for protection against such wrongs.

The laws of July 26, 1866, and of March 29, 1867, provided for the prosecution of claimants as far as law can do it. The duties imposed by these laws upon my officers and agents have been very difficult. To discover, identify and pay claimants scattered throughout every State and Territory has been a great and perplexing task. But, by the assignment of a few agents in each Southern State to this special duty, so that they may become familiar with the business in all its details, it is done with accuracy and fidelity. Since April 17, 1867, when the first Treasury certificate was received, the total amount paid, including lawful fees and expenses, has been $5,281,417 89. The balance in the United States Treasury now due to claimants who have not yet been discovered and identified is $1,220,686 85. A complete and minute record of every case is kept, so that its entire history may be easily traced. The claims already filed and settled through this Bureau number 4,404, and 3,311 filed by it are now pending settlement; 16,000 of such claims of colored soldiers are now on file in the Auditor's office awaiting settlement, and 6,000 certificates of settlement of claims are now temporarily suspended in the same office. The number of claims of colored sailors and their heirs on file in the Fourth Auditor's office is not definitely known, but it is probably proportionately large. And in addition to these now pending it is believed that there are at least twenty-five thousand claims outstanding for which no applications have as yet been made. Much, therefore, must yet be done to complete the business of paying bounties, and it is believed that the system now in operation will accomplish it as honestly and accommodatingly as any that can be desired. It is not possible by any machinery to furnish absolute security to both claimants and the Government against fraud. The inventions of cupidity are almost infinite, and when no other scheme is successful, the last resort of baffled dishonesty is to turn upon the Bureau agents, with false charges in the public prints, for the purpose of getting him displaced and removed."

In summing up the expenditures of the Bureau since its organization, General HOWARD remarks:

"When the Bureau was established, it was believed that the abandoned lands and other confiscated Confederate States property which came under charge of the Bureau, by the terms of the law creating it, would furnish a sufficient revenue for its support. Therefore no appropriations were made by Congress to defray its expenses until July, 1866, after the greater portion of the abandoned property had been restored to its former owners. The money accrued before and since the organization of this Bureau from rent of lands, sale of crops, school taxes and tuition, and sale of Confederate States property, and from all miscellaneous sources, was collected together and called the refugees' and freedmen's fund and the school fund, and has amounted to $1,985,645 40. The total expenditures of the Bureau from Jan. 1, 1865, to Aug. 31, 1869, have been $11,949,028 10. In addition to this cash expenditure the subsistence and medical supplies and Quartermaster stores issued to refugees and freedmen prior to July 1, 1866, were furnished by the Commissary, Medical and Quartermaster's Departments, and accounted for in the current expenses of those Departments. They were not charged to, nor paid for, by this Bureau. They amounted to $2,330,773 72 in original cost, but a large portion of these stores being damaged and condemned as unfit for issue to troops, their real value to the Government was probably less than $1,000,000. Adding their original cost to the amount expended from appropriations, and other sources, the total expenses of the bureau from its organization to Aug. 31, 1869, have been $13,579,816 82, and deducting $50,000 transferred to the Agricultural Department, and $500,000 set apart as a special relief fund for all classes of destitute people in the Southern States, in accordance with the joint resolution of Congress, approved March 30, 1867, the real cost of the bureau has been $13,029,816 82. The balance remaining on hand will be entirely devoted to the support of the bounty and educational division, and the one hospital remaining in this District.

In conclusion, General HOWARD says that the payment of bounties must be continued through the Bureau or some other agency until all shall have had a reasonable time to present their claims. Of the continuation of the educational work he says:

"The educational work should not only be continued, but greatly extended. If the State Governments are not prepared nor willing to provide for the education of all classes, as I hope they soon will do, I recommend that the General Government take the matter in hand. The safety of the Republic is the supreme law. There can be no safety nor permanent peace where ignorance reigns. The law of self-preservation will justify the national Legislature in establishing, through the Bureau of Education, or some other agency a general system of free schools, and furnishing to all children of a suitable age such instruction in the rudiments of learning as may be necessary to fit them to discharge intelligently the duties of free American citizens.

THE COMING MESSAGE.

The President, in conversation to-day with a gentleman who called upon him, spoke of his message, and said its general scope had been marked out, but he had as yet done nothing in the way of details; that it would be very brief, not more than two or three columns of an ordinary newspaper; that he should confine himself to statements of facts and such recommendations as were deemed necessary, without enlarging upon arguments; and finally that it would be held open to the last moment for such finish as might be necessary, and that it would go to Congress in writing. This is therefore the only abstract of the document that will be furnished in advance of its delivery.

NEW MINISTER TO ECUADOR.

Hon. E. RUMSEY WING, of Kentucky, was today appointed Minister to Ecuador *vice* Judge EMBREY declined. Mr. WING was the Republican candidate for Secretary of State in the last election contest in Kentucky.

TREASURY STATEMENT.

The Treasury books at 3 o'clock this P. M. showed the following exhibit: coin in the treasury, $74,555,805 14; currency, $13,658,630 36. Amount outstanding: gold certificates, $33,740,560. The bonds purchased since the 1st of November, amounted to $5,000,000, subject to action of Congress, and $1,000,000 for the Sinking Fund. The average premium on the five millions of gold sold since the 1st inst., was 27 per cent.

SENATOR GRIMES.

Senator GRIMES writes to a friend here that his health has not improved during his European trip. His second paralytic shock was not so severe as the first, but he was very much enfeebled by it. He was preparing at last accounts for a long trip on the Mediterranean.

THE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH.

The Metropolitan Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church is still in an unfinished condition. The edifice, even in its incomplete state, is an ornament to the city. The indebtedness of the building is about $60,000, and a still further sum will be required to place a spire on it and furnish it with a chime of bells. With a view of paying the debt and completing the structure a committee of the representative ladies of the Church, with Mrs. President GRANT at their head, has been organized. These ladies are sanguine of paying the debt before the close of the year, and appeal to the leading Methodists of the country for assistance.

GOVERNMENT MONEY.

By a provision of the law the sealing of all the Government money is done at the Treasury Department after it is received from the Bank Note Company. An idea may be obtained of the necessity of the system of checks introduced by the Secretary in the Printing Bureau of the Department by the statement that $13,000,000, or about 3,000,000 sheets of fractional currency of the new issue, have been sealed in the Printing Bureau without the loss of a single sheet.

AMOS KENDALL'S WILL.

The will of the late AMOS KENDALL was admitted to probate to-day. It is dated May, 1868. After bequeathing to a grandson $10,000, and his lands in Arkansas, he makes bequests to several of the children, and directs that his personal property be divided between his four daughters, and gives the executors full power to dispose of his real estate, which is worth $300,000, to be divided among his heirs.

Anniversary of the Historical Society.

The New-York Historical Society celebrated their sixty-fifth anniversary last evening at their hall in Second-avenue. The venerable Dr. DEWITT presided over the large and cultivated audience that was in attendance despite the unfavorable night. Rev. Dr. MORGAN being introduced as the orator of the occasion, delivered a finished and philosophic address on "Conservatism in its Relation to Progress." An abstract of the production could hardly do justice to the speaker's analysis of the subject, the broad views he expressed and the many fine similes he used for illustration. His aim was to present the claims of a sound and rational conservatism as the guide of human action. The definition of the term, Conservatism, he said was the "preservation of truth." Its office was to gather truth from every quarter and mould it in its right shape, that it may become available to mankind in the present. The speaker compared the principle to a serene Judge who searched the cause before him with a severe scrutiny to find the truth and nothing more.

Dr. MORGAN, at the close of his address, was warmly applauded, and the society voted him their thanks and requested a copy of his address for preservation.

Rev. Dr. ADAMS followed with a few humorous remarks, and the meeting adjourned.

AN OWNER OF TWO DOLLERS WANTED.

The person who wrote to the City Editor of the NEW-YORK TIMES, under a crest and the initial "M," signing "A Member," inclosing $2, and begging to have last evening's address before the Historical Society reported, will please call upon our cashier, who will promptly refund the bribe.—ED. TIMES.

Masquerade at the Central Park Garden.

The Persian Coterie gave a masquerade ball at the Central Park Garden last evening. The evening's entertainment began with a grand march at 11 o'clock, in which some hundred couples took part. Turk and African, shepherdess and brigand, African and Yankee, Spanish cavalier and Scotch lassie, joined hands in perfect friendship, and mirth and pleasure, fun and frolic were rulers of the evening's festivities. The dancing was carried far into the small hours of the morning, and the whole thing in spite of the rainy evening, went off to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. O'BRIEN'S band furnished the music for the occasion.

A Storm.

A heavy storm last night interrupted telegraphic communication with the West, delaying the receipt of dispatches in this City.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

THE SUEZ CANAL.

The Programme of the Opening Ceremonies and Festivities—The Khedive to do the Hospitable in the Absence of the Sultan.

PARIS, Nov. 16.—As the Sultan has finally decided not to be present at the opening of M. DE LESSEPS' great work, the Viceroy will be able to exercise his hospitality in his own way, and will receive the credit of the undertaking. France will be represented by the Empress, who, in her steam yacht *L'Aigle*, will lead the way at the grand opening procession. Austria will be represented by her Emperor; Prussia by the Prince of PRUSSIA; Italy by Prince AMEDEUS, and a host of smaller nations and tribes will have representatives to swell the pageant. The first great gathering will take place at Port Said to-day. On the 17th there will be a grand ball at Ismalia. On the 18th there will be a great gathering of tribes at Ismalia, and a grand entertainment will be given, one feature of which will be the evolutions on horseback by Arabs. On the 19th the grand procession will start for Suez, when the canal will be formally opened. On the 20th the leading feature of the day's proceedings will be the erection of a monument to WATHEIN, who first propounded the idea of establishing the route to India *via* the Isthmus of Suez. This graceful acknowledgement of the services of an Englishman will show that no ill-will is borne to England, although she has not rendered any assistance to M. DE LESSEPS.

The Opening Festivities—Reception of the Distinguished Guests—Dedication of a Church and a Mosque.

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, Nov. 16.—The festivities preliminary to the inauguration of the Suez Canal commenced at Port Said yesterday. The Emperor of Austria landed at noon, and was received by the Khedive with great ceremony and a magnificent military and civic display. The houses were decorated, arches were raised over the principal streets, hundreds of flags were flying, and salutes were exchanged between the fleet and the shore. At night the town and harbor were ablaze with fireworks and illuminations. The streets were as bright as day, all the housetops being covered with lighted torches. The rigging of the men-of-war and the shipping in the harbor were hung with lanterns of every color, and showers of rockets were rising and falling. The Khedive gave a grand ball on board of his yacht, which was a superb affair. It was attended by the Emperor FRANCIS JOSEPH and all the distinguished guests now assembled at Port Said. The water was alive with boats hastening to the viceregal yacht. The ball lasted until an early hour in the morning.

To-day the Empress EUGENIE arrived, and was received by the Viceroy and the Austrian Emperor, and landed amid the thundering of the cannon and the acclamations of the multitudes which lined the shore. Among the events today was the dedication of a Christian church and of a Mohammedan mosque. Priests and ministers of all creeds were invited to be present on both occasions. The British men-of-war *Royal Oak* and *Prince Consort* went ashore on Sunday in the harbor. They got afloat with much difficulty on Monday evening. A flotilla of about fifty vessels, none of them drawing more than fifteen feet of water, will sail through the canal, bearing the Viceroy of Egypt, the Empress of the French and the Emperor of Austria, with all the invited guests. The weather is most favorable.

FRANCE AND PRUSSIA.

Reception of the Prussian Minister by the Emperor—The Emperor to be Present at the Elections.

PARIS, Nov. 16.—The Emperor gave audience to Baron WERTHER, the newly-appointed Ambassador from Prussia, at Compiègne yesterday. Much good feeling was manifested. M. WERTHER, in presenting his credentials, assured the Emperor that the Prussian Government desired to preserve the present amicable relations with France. NAPOLEON replied warmly and at considerable length, concluding by saying that he much wished the development of a good understanding between Prussia and the German Confederation on the one side, and France on the other.

It is reported that the Emperor will leave Compiègne for Paris before the elections commence, and will remain in the city until they have terminated. The Radical Party condemn the manifesto of the Opposition Deputies for its want of courage.

THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL.

Another Letter from the Bishop of Orleans—The Infallibility of the Pope—The Status of Protestants.

PARIS, Nov. 16.—Bishop DUPANLOUP has published a letter, addressed to the clergy of his diocese, deprecating the idea that the present is a favorable opportunity for claiming the infallibility of the Pope. He blames such journals as *L'Univers* and *La Civilta Cattolica* for their inconsiderate haste in discussing so delicate a question in anticipation of the deliberations of the Council.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The Pope has written a letter to Archbishop MANNING, in which it is stated that although Protestants are excluded from the Ecumenical Council, facilities will be offered outside for making explanations.

SPAIN.

Abdication of Isabella Again Asserted—Spain a Republic Under the Name of a Monarchy—The Republican Prisoners.

PARIS, Nov. 15.—The *Journal des Débats* asserts that Queen ISABELLA has definitively abdicated the throne of Spain. *Le Temps* says: "Everything is impossible in Spain now—a Republic, because the Republicans are insufficient; a monarchy, because no party is strong enough to appoint a King. Unless a *coup d'état*, or a victorious revolution occurs, Spain will probably remain provisionally an irregular republic under the name of monarchy."

MADRID, Nov. 16.—The disposal of the Republican prisoners taken during the late insurrection is under consideration. The Government is inclined to clemency, but at the same time will be careful not to endanger the future peace of the country by a mistaken leniency. It is stated that the prisoners will be allowed to choose between joining the Spanish army in Cuba or transportation to the Philippine Islands, there to await the result of the legal proceedings against them.

GREAT BRITAIN.

New Arrangement for the Removal of Mr. Peabody's Remains—A Royal Visitor at Windsor.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—According to a new arrangement the Government will dispatch Her Majesty's ship *Monarch* from Portsmouth, on Friday, the 26th inst., with the remains of the late GEORGE PEABODY. The *Monarch* will remain at Spithead for a few days until she is joined by the American vessels from the Mediterranean Squadron, when they will sail for America in company. It is more than likely that several French war ships will also join the funeral fleet.

The King of the Belgians is expected here on a visit to the Queen at Windsor.

CUBA.

The Volunteers Draw Lots for Service—Sailing of a Steamer.

HAVANA, Nov. 16.—The battalions of volunteers stationed in the vicinity of Havana yesterday drew lots for the purpose of deciding which battalion should go first to the Yuelta Abajo region to relieve the present garrison of Regulars, in order to allow the latter to go to the seat of war. The lot fell to the Second Battalion, which will immediately leave for Vuelta Abajo. The steamship *Bocaris* sailed yesterday for New-Orleans.

AUSTRIA.

The Dalmatian Revolt—Order Restored.

TRIESTE, Nov. 16.—The latest advices from Cattaro report the rebellion at an end, and the country quiet.

ITALY.

An Amnesty to Political Offenders—The Grist-Mill Rioters.

FLORENCE, Nov. 16.—An amnesty has been granted to political offenders. It extends to all who took part in the late grist-mill riots.

THE RED RIVER DIFFICULUY.

The Winnepeg Insurrection—A Territorial Government Established by the Insurgents—A War Imminent.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 7.—The latest intelligence regarding the Winnepeg war represents that Governor MCDOUGALL is now encamped in Dakota Territory. His family will return to Canada, but the Governor and his staff will await events at Fort Garry, where it is said there is a party in his favor, consisting of the employes of the Hudson Bay Company and some Scotch and English settlers. Meanwhile the insurgents have established a provisional government. They demand a Territorial Government, after the manner of American Territorial Governments, with a Legislature chosen by the people; a Homestead act and a fund for school purposes and internal improvements. There is a rumor that Governor MCDOUGALL will apply to the Canadian Government for troops to put down the insurrection, and to Washington for permission to move the troops through the Northwestern States.

Another Account—The Insurgents Five Hundred Strong—Indignation in Canada.

TORONTO, Nov. 16.—A special dispatch from St. Paul to the *Globe*, respecting the expulsion of Governor MCDOUGALL and party from Red River, causes much excitement and indignation. The dispatch says Mr. MCDOUGALL had advanced two miles beyond the frontier, and stopped at the Hudson's Bay Company post, sending Mr. PROVENCHER forward to parley with the insurgents, who were 500 strong. Mr. PROVENCHER was made prisoner and Mr. MCDOUGALL beleaguered in the fort. No resistance was attempted, and on the 2d of November the Governor was escorted across the line, and is now encamped near Pembina in Dakota Territory. No violence was offered. The insurgents were French. They have organized a provisional government. It is reported that Mr. MCDOUGALL has applied to the Ottawa authorities for troops. His family will return to Canada.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—Additional letters from Pembina, dated Nov. 3 and 4, received at St. Paul, give additional particulars of the Red River rebellion. It seems that Governor MCDOUGALL remained over night in the second Hudson Bay stockade, about two miles from the United States border. In the morning he was notified by 500 rebels to leave British territory by 9 o'clock, which he declined to do. At 9 o'clock the rebels marched into the stockade, and the Governor and his party marching out in haste, betook themselves to United States territory. The rebels are determined, and the inaccessibility of the country, the near approach of Winter and other obstacles, render doubtful the success of military operations. The rebellion is a temporary success, and further developments are awaited. The cause of the uprising is opposition to being annexed to the Canadian Confederation under the new Dominion, and a determination on the part of the people of the British Red River Settlement that they shall be allowed to remain independent of the British Colony, and subject only to the Government of England. The affair will probably result in war and bloodshed before it is ended.

CANADA.

Suicide of an Official—Father McMahon and his Jailers—The Newfoundland Election.

COBOURG, Ontario, Nov. 16.—About 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon HENRY EASTON, Collector of Customs for Cobourg, during a temporary fit of insanity, shot himself with a rifle. The ball passed through his heart, causing instant death.

KINGSTON, Ontario, Nov. 16.—Father MCMAHON'S denunciation of the treatment he alleges he received while a prisoner here, has excited much indignation. His statements are declared to be untrue, and a general regret is expressed at his liberation.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 16.—Intelligence concerning the Newfoundland election, although the returns are incomplete, indicates that the anti-Confederates have secured a majority.

A CALAMITY IN MILWAUKEE.

The Gaiety Theatre Burned During a Performance—Two Persons Burned to Death—Twenty Others Injured—Narrow Escape of the Audience from Entire Destruction.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 16.—During a fencing scene at the Gaiety Theatre last night, one of the rapiers struck a kerosene lamp which exploded, setting fire to the scenery. The flames communicated to the auditorium, and before all in the building had time to escape the premises were enveloped in flames. A number of persons were saved by jumping from the second story windows. Several lives were lost. Two bodies have been recovered from the ruins burned beyond recognition. One of the bodies was identified by a memorandum book as a printer boy, WILLIE BREWER. Fifteen or twenty persons were badly burned. It is thought the bodies of others are still in the rubbish.

SECOND DISPATCH.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 16.—The Gaiety Theatre, on Main-street, was burned at a late hour last night. Two of the audience were burned to death, WILLIE BREWER, employed in the *Daily News* office, and a young man named BROWN, clerk for Messrs. KUMMEL & KEMPF. Several others were more or less burned by the kerosene explosion.

Other Fires—Cotton Factory Burned in Philadelphia—Planing Mill Burned.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 16.—A large cotton factory on Spruce street, near Schuylkill, was burned last night. The loss is estimated at $80,000. The building was occupied by ALEXANDER BULFORD, HAGUE & CO., BRIERLY & CO., and DALTON & JOHNSON, manufacturers of cotton goods.

LEWISTON, Me., Nov. 16.—The large steam planing mill of PRINCE & DINSMORE, near the Maine Central Railroad Station, was burned this morning. The loss is about $7,000; insured for $5,500. The flames extended to two dwellings occupied by several families, which were also consumed.

A Financial Flurry in Boston—Hartford and Erie.

BOSTON, Nov. 16.—There is continued excitement in Hartford and Erie stock and bonds, and to-day transactions on the street have been very heavy, the stock selling down to 9¼ and the bonds to 40¾. Parties who borrowed money on the stock and bonds have been notified for additional collateral, but reply that they cannot put up any more margins, but that the officers of the Company will give the Company's note on six months at eight per cent., if acceptable to the lender. Some have done this, while others have thrown their collaterals on the market, getting whatever they could realize from their sales.

THE CATSKILL EXPLOSION.

The First Reports Exaggerated—No Lives Lost—The Damages About $15,000.

CATSKILL, N. Y., Nov. 16.—The boiler explosion here yesterday was not so serious in its result as at first reported. There were only three badly injured. Mrs. GEORGE BRANDOW was hurt about the head by falling debris, and one leg is so badly injured that it will have to be amputated. Her sister, Mrs. PULVER, had her collar bone broken; she will recover. FRANK CARNIFF, the engineer, was scalded and slightly burned about the wrists, but will recover. STORMS & CORSA'S paper mill, where the explosion occurred, is damaged to the amount of $10,000; insured for $12,100. VAN STENBURGH'S ice house adjoining is damaged to the amount of $1,500. Mrs. BRANDOW lies in a critical condition.

HUDSON, N. Y., Nov. 16.—In the boiler explosion at Catskill Village yesterday no lives were lost. The damage to property amounts to about $15,000, and falls chiefly on STORMS & CORSA, of the paper mill, HIRAM VAN STERNBURGH, whose ice houses took fire, and EDWARD CARGILL, whose dwelling house was shattered. The boiler was thrown a distance of three hundred feet, over the tops of the ice houses, and lodged in the creek. It was nearly new.

THE FIFTEENTH AMENDMENT.

Ratification in Alabama—The Tennessee Lower House.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 16.—The Alabama Legislature has ratified the Fifteenth Amendment to the National Constitution. The vote in the Senate was—yeas 24, nays none; in the House—yeas 69, nays 16.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 16.—The Lower House of the Legislature to-day refused to ratify the Fifteenth Amendment by 57 to 13. The Senate will be equally unanimous.

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THE NEW DOMINION.

Sir Francis Hincks in the Commons—How he got his Seat—His Aim, the Premiership—Growing Strong—Opposition to the Government in Ontario—A Singular Question of Jurisdiction.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MONTREAL, Friday, Nov. 12, 1869.

Sir FRANCIS HINCKS has secured his coveted seat in the House of Commons, but his victory is not one to be proud of. If he is not a hardened politician he must have regretted his return to Canada. When the announcement was first made that he was again to take an active part in Canadian politics, the newspapers of both parties east and west raised the cry of opposition. Bitter memories of the past, when Sir FRANCIS was a power in Canada, were revived; and many warm friends of the Premier advised him not to take into the Cabinet one who they had reason to fear would prove a serious disturbing element. But Sir FRANCIS was sworn in as Finance Minister, and then some of the more subservient of the Government newspapers backed down and accepted the new Knight, much against their will. Other conservative papers, and these include some of the most vigorous and best-supported in the country, are still stubborn; and there can be no doubt that the reconstructed Cabinet will have fewer supporters in Parliament than the old one had.

HOW SIR FRANCIS GOT HIS SEAT.

One would have thought that a gentleman who had formerly been a leader of the Government, who had subsequently received from the Crown substantial recognition of his talents—a man of, undoubtedly, great ability as a financier—would have had no difficulty, on returning to the scene of his former labors and triumphs, and expressing a desire to reënter political life, in obtaining a seat. Not so with Sir FRANCIS. There was no popular feeling in his favor. It was deemed expedient that the Finance Minister should represent an Ontario constituency. Sir FRANCIS owned considerable property in North Renfrew, a county on the Upper Ottawa; he was formerly elected for that county by acclamation. The people there are peculiarly open to Government influence, being in expectation of Government support to an Ottawa canal, or a railway, to the Upper country. Sir FRANCIS was Finance Minister, and, if elected, would be well able to repay favors. The constituency is not one that the Opposition ever claimed as their own. Yet, with all these advantages on his side, Sir FRANCIS found it no easy matter to secure his election. No trouble was experienced in inducing Mr. RANKIN, who held the seat at the time of Sir FRANCIS' appearance, to resign in favor of the Finance Minister. But no sooner was that done than a formidable opponent appeared in the person of a Mr. MURRAY, a leading resident Roman Catholic, and a Conservative. The regular Opposition also brought out a candidate, a Mr. FINDLAY. Had both of these gentlemen remained in the field, Sir FRANCIS would have been beaten beyond a doubt. Mr. MURRAY, however, after holding two or three meetings, and expressing strong opposition to Sir FRANCIS, though professing to support the Government, surprised his friends by resigning and declaring his intention to work for the Finance Minister's election. This somersault had an ugly look, and disgusted many of the usual Government supporters. Mr. MURRAY made no attempt to conceal the "consideration" he had received. Mr. SUPPLE, the representative of the same constituency in the local Legislature, and a well-meaning, easy-going sort of a man, was prevailed upon to resign his seat in favor of Mr. MURRAY, who was to get the Government support in his candidature. The field was thus left clear for HINCKS and FINDLAY for the Commons. Respecting the canvass I do not speak on mere hearsay authority. From persons on the spot, in whose statements implicit confidence may be placed, I have the information that the most unscrupulous means were employed to return Sir FRANCIS. Government agents were at work all over the constituency; money flowed freely; votes were bought up with little attempt at concealment, particularly on the second day of polling. Sir FRANCIS himself, before the poll closed, went round from door to door literally begging for votes, and he was not sparing of his promises of good things for the constituency when he got into power. Notwithstanding all this his majority was only a small one. My informant, who is a resident of the county, and a supporter of HINCKS, assured me that had the fight been a fair one, Sir FRANCIS would have been beaten. This unusual opposition to an able man—unusual for that constituency, at least—may, I think, be traced to two sources: The growing unpopularity of the Government in Ontario, of which I will have more to say further on, and the deep-seated repugnance to Sir FRANCIS among the Conservatives. This repugnance is a matter of old standing, acquired twenty years ago when Sir FRANCIS was a leading member of the Reform Party, and based on acts of which the present generation of young Canadians know very little and care less.

THE NEXT PREMIER OF THE DOMINION.

Why did Sir FRANCIS go to all this trouble and humiliation merely to get a subordinate position under one who formerly led the Opposition against him, and characterized him as being "steeped to the lips in corruption?" That is the question most people are asking, and the solution many arrive at is that he is playing a deeper game than what appears on the surface. Sir JOHN A. is rapidly unfitting himself for the Premiership. His unfortunate habits interfere seriously with the performance of his multiplicity of duties. His ambition is to attain to the Governor-Generalship, which office it is generally understood will have a change of occupants in a couple of years. But if he fails in that the Chief Justiceship of the Supreme Court, which is soon to be established, will be at his disposal—an office for which his legal talents eminently fit him. Sir JOHN once out of politics, Sir FRANCIS would of course come in for the Premiership. Time alone will show whether or not this is really what he is aiming at, but a good many people think it is, and dread or rejoice at it according to their opinions of his ability and political integrity. Sir FRANCIS is ambitious to have his name connected with some great public work. He is credited with having considerable influence with English capitalists, and the advocates of a Canadian Pacific Railway expect great things from him.

POLITICAL FEELING IN ONTARIO.

In the old ante-confederation days, when Ontario went under the name of Upper Canada, it always gave a majority for the Liberals or Reformers, and the Conservatives were kept in power only by the votes of Lower Canadians. The coalition of 1864, that brought about confederation, changed all this. Party lines were for a time obliterated, and even to this day they are not very clearly defined, though gradually becoming more distinct. When Mr. GEO. BROWN left the coalition, previous to the general election of 1867, the majority of his party followed him; the minority that clung to the coalition, together with the united vote of the Conservatives, gave, for the first time a sweeping majority from Ontario for Sir JOHN A.'s Government. Since that time the Government has virtually ceased to be a coalition, so far as Ontario is concerned, though it still keeps up the appearance. The three gentlemen who represented the Reform Party are all gone—BLAIR, dead; HOWLAND, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, and McDOUGALL, of the Red River Territory—leaving not a single Reformer from Ontario in the Cabinet. Sir FRANCIS was claimed by some as a representative of the Reform element, but the election has shown the absurdity of such a claim. The Ontario people don't like such a state of affairs. The old party spirit is returning with all its former force, and the Reformers are longing for another opportunity to give expression to their opinions by their votes. I write to a great extent from personal knowledge, having recently returned from a visit to the principal portions of the Province, during which I had good opportunities of learning the real feeling of the people on political matters. I found an intense feeling of dissatisfaction with the Government among a large class of the people, and I have not the slightest doubt that if an election was to come off now the Opposition would return to the Commons fully as large a majority as any of former days. In the other Provinces it is different. With a few exceptions Sir GEORGE E. CARTIER, with the clergy at his back, can command the votes of the Lower Canadian French, and even among the English, I regret to say, there is very little public opinion. In the Maritime Provinces we have such staunch old Liberals as HOWE and TILLEY still in the Government. The Opposition there is pretty strong, but it is not of a kind to amalgamate with that from Ontario. It is composed entirely of the old anti-confederate party, which, though it has abandoned the repeal cry, is still too much embittered against everything Canadian to unite with any party; beside their company would not be acceptable to the union-loving and superlatively-loyal Reformers of the West. This state of things constitutes the chief safety of the Government. If its composition is of a heterogeneous character, that of the Opposition, taking the Dominion as a whole, is more so. The next general election may perhaps bring about a united Opposition, but at present it is too divided to accomplish anything.

A QUESTION OF JURISDICTION.

A question has been raised in the Ontario Legislature, now in session, which affects the standing of all the local Legislatures. The Confederation Act provides clearly enough that the House of Commons shall have all the privileges and immunities of the British Commons, but nothing was said about the local Houses. Hence they are on the same footing as the Legislative Assemblies were prior to confederation. The privileges of these Assemblies, it seems, were more assumed than real. A case in point has been related in the course of the discussion on this question. An Australian was placed in confinement by order of the Speaker of the House of Assembly for some breach of privilege. He sued the Speaker for damages, but judgment was given against him in the Australian Courts. He appealed to the Privy Council in England, and the Law Officers of the Crown decided that the Speaker had no authority to arrest any member, and he (the Speaker) was compelled to pay heavy damages. The local Legislatures, under the Confederation act, are on precisely the same footing. The Premier of Ontario, Mr. JOHN SANDFIELD MACDONALD, perceived this, and at the last session of the Legislature got an act passed "to define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Assembly." But according to the act of confederation the Dominion Minister of Justice has the power to disallow within one year after its passage, any act, good, bad or indifferent, of the local Legislature. This power was, no doubt, intended only to prevent the enactment of unconstitutional laws, and to preserve the harmony of the whole structure But it actually gives the Minister of Justice the right to disallow any act of the local Legislatures, and thus makes him in reality supreme. In the exercise of this authority the Minister of Justice, Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD, disallowed the act of the Ontario Legislature above referred to, having first submitted it to the English Crown law officers, who sustained his objections, and decided that the act was inconsistent with the act of confederation. This decision is a most humiliating one for the local Legislatures. It reduces them to the level of municipal councils, and, in fact, in some respects, they have not even the same privileges that were enjoyed by a municipal body. They cannot compel order nor attendance upon committees; in short, as SANDFIELD MACDONALD himself puts it, they are "more feeble than a Justice of the Peace, who has a right to punish for contempt committed at his Petty Sessions." And the worst of it is there is no remedy for this state of things short of the British Parliament. It has just been settled that the Legislature can confer the required powers upon itself; there is nothing in the Constitution giving the Commons the power to do so; the only remedy is an amendment to the Constitution, and that can only be obtained from the British Parliament. Such seems to be the only inference that can be drawn from the correspondence on the subject, just published between the leader of the Dominion and Ontario Governments, and the Colonial Office of the English Crown law officers. Another point worthy of notice in this matter is the fact that Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD submitted the act to the English law officers. It does not appear that he was bound to do this, but did it, no doubt, in order to strengthen his own position. One of the duties of the proposed Supreme Court would be to decide as to the constitutionality of all acts of the local Legislatures. H.

PAWNEE CONVICTED.

Four Indians Convicted of Murder—Two of them Escape but One Returns for his Blanket.

From the St. Joseph (Mo.) Herald, Nov. 12.

The trial of the Pawnee Indians, Yellow Sun, Little Wolf, Horse Driver and Blue Hawk, charged with the murder of EDWARD MCMURTY, was completed in the United States District Court at Omaha, on Tuesday. At 10 o'clock the jury, after a deliberation of five hours in the jury room, brought in the following verdict:

"Guilty in manner and form, as charged in the indictment."

The prisoners were brought into Court to listen to the verdict, and, although evidently very deeply interested in the decision, there was no outward demonstration of emotion. When made acquainted with the nature of the verdict, they all maintained a stoical indifference, and immediately started on their return to the cell which they had vacated but a few moments before.

Just as they reached the outside of the Court House, on the way to the cell, in charge of the Marshal, his deputies and Sheriff HOEL, Horse Driver and Blue Hawk sprang from the officers, leaped the fence of the jail yard with a single bound, and aided by the intense darkness, made their escape. Sheriff HOEL snapped his revolver at one of the retreating Indians, but the weapon missed fire, and the pursuit was of no avail.

About an hour afterward a knock was heard at the rear door of the jail, and, on its being opened, Horse Driver walked in, and by signs intimated that he wanted his blanket—that article having slipped from his shoulders as he jumped over the fence. He was immediately secured, and taken to his old quarters in the cell. He strenuously objected to the attempt to force him to the cell, and evidently believed that he would be permitted to take his blanket and go. When asked where Blue Hawk was, he motioned to the effect that he was some distance away. He also said he had been in the house of Superintendent JANNEY, but that was probably an untruth. In his simplicity of the Indian, it is presumed, he really thought that he would not be molested again.

Officers were sent out in every direction, on horseback, in pursuit of Blue Hawk, and it is hardly possible that he can escape.

Colonel CHASE has signified his intention to make an arrest of judgment, with a view of securing a new trial, whether or not he will succeed, future events will demonstrate.

The popular feeling, there can be no doubt, fully indorses the verdict of the jury. It was not expected, however, that all the defendants would be convicted. Even the attorneys for the prosecution had no such hope.

Street Cars on a New Principle—The Pneumatic Propelling Company.

From the New-Orleans Picayune, Nov. 12.

There are many who have believed that because but little was said in the newspapers or elsewhere of the progress made by the Pneumatic Propelling Company, in the construction of an engine and tanks that would answer every requisite purpose, therefore the project had fallen through. We are gratified, however, to state that such is not the fact, and that the prediction of the *Picayune* at the time the first trial was made by WAILEY, the proprietor, is soon to be verified. After numerous failures in constructing air tanks sufficiently light, and yet sufficiently strong, success has crowned the persistent effort, and the last tank or cylinder made stood easily a pressure of 307 pounds to the square inch. The cylinder is made of layers of thick brown paper, with a gum lining, and has iron heads. More of the same character are now being constructed at the Batture Foundry. We examined, a few days since, the model of the engine to be used on the cars, and which is the result of years of thought and hard work on the part of Mr. WAILEY. It is, without doubt, one of the most beautiful and perfect pieces of machinery ever made, and is destined—so we are informed by the talented inventor—to work a radical change in the method of the application of steam, as well as air, for purposes of propulsion.

Every obstacle seems now to have been removed, and we may confidently expect that at no distant day our street cars will be propelled by air instead of mule power.

Banking Capital Needed in the South.

From the Atlanta (Ga.) Intelligencer, Nov. 11.

Before the war it required a banking capital of $200,000,000 to remove the crops of the South. According to the Augusta *Chronicle & Sentinel*, the present banking capital of the South "is not much over $10,000,000." How immense the disparity! No wonder that cotton and rice, and sugar and tobacco, staple productions of the South, this year footing up an aggregate of $400,000,000, are subject to such influences as "Rings" in Wall-street exercise over them—keeping prices down by withholding the means to transport them to market. The South must have more banking capital. If the national bank system will not furnish it, the most productive land at home from capitalists who only want to know that such investments will be safe and profitable to furnish it. But until the reconstruction of the Southern State becomes a fixed [illegible] capitalists [illegible]

A JESUS DETECTIVE.

His Arrest and Escape in New-Orleans—Curious Revelations.

From the New-Orleans Picayune, Nov. 12.

The public were apprised of the arrest, last Sunday morning, on board of the steamer *Great Republic*, of the notorious Colonel J. H. ALEXANDER, who has been obtaining large sums of money in various places by palming himself off as a Government agent, and who it is believed is really possessed of many important secrets of powerful Rings formed for the purpose of defrauding the United States revenue. We have just learned that he escaped last night from the custody of a Deputy United States Marshal.

It seems that previous to ALEXANDER'S arrival in the city Mr. MAX DINKLESPEIL made an affidavit before United States Commissioner WARREN charging him with receiving from him as a compromise $300 of an alleged violation of the Revenue laws. A warrant for his arrest was at once issued and placed in the hands of Deputy Marshal W. F. SLOAN, who made the arrest as soon as the *Great Republic* landed, which was at 8 o'clock Sunday morning.

The prisoner was carried before the Commissioner on Monday for a hearing, and granted until Thursday (to-day) to find bonds—to be, however, under the charge of the Deputy Marshal, who put up with his prisoner at the City Hotel. On Sunday afternoon, it seems, ALEXANDER, while enjoying the freedom of the hotel, was arrested by Special Officer CUNNINGHAM, of the Metropolitan Police, on a telegram from Jackson, Miss., but Deputy Marshal LOAN effected his release. While Deputy LOAN and Superintendent CAIN were conversing on the subject, ALEXANDER slipped away, but was rearrested on Baronne-street, in about an hour, by LOAN, who retained him in custody until 7:50 o'clock last evening, when he again escaped and has not since been found.

Deputy Marshal LOAN states that the prisoner had been in low spirits, weeping and evincing the most poignant grief, and they entered their room together preparatory to taking a walk. While the officer was changing his apparel ALEXANDER made some excuse to go out a moment, and leaving the room incontinently absconded.

About five minutes after the prisoner's departure a servant carried up to LOAN two letters, one addressed to ALEXANDER and one to himself; the latter had been picked up in the hall, and upon the envelope were a few lines saying that his (ALEXANDER'S) body would be found in the Mississippi River, on Canal-street, and the letter itself contained instructions as to the disposition of his body and effects, which were to be sent to his residence on Fifth-avenue, New-York, where he is said to have lived in elegant style.

ALEXANDER is about 45 years of age, five feet eight inches high, has a ruddy complexion, head partly bald, black hair, heavy black mustache, and a Jewish cast of countenance. He is a German, speaks broken English, and has a fine address. It is believed those parties who were largely interested in defrauding the revenue, and who fear damaging disclosures, have spirited the prisoner off. He stated to the Marshal that he was here on a $62,000 transaction. One of his favorite dodges was to pass himself off as a brother-in-law of Vice-President COLFAX.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Causes and Prevention of Fires—Operations of the Department—A Letter from President Shaler.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I was exceedingly gratified on perusing the article in your issue of the 8th inst., headed "How fires are caused and how their danger may be lessened." No better service can be rendered by our leading papers than to occasionally remind the public of the serious consequences likely to result from the careless use of combustible materials as well as fire. And if in doing so, it is found necessary to make suggestions to the Fire Department, I am quite sure the Commissioners will receive them in the proper spirit, even if circumstances prevent their adoption. Among the thousand and one causes of fire in our City, the use of inferior kerosene oil is probably the most frequent, and seems likely to remain so until another equally economical but less dangerous article is furnished for the use of the masses, or a law enacted and enforced which shall hedge it around with such safeguards as will secure immunity from accidents. But I apprehend no law can be enforced which will make careless persons careful. The only way, therefore, to reduce the chances of fires from the use of inflammable oils, is to convince the dealer that "honesty is the best policy," and the most profitable one for him to pursue, by inflicting severe penalties for exposing for sale an article that vaporizes below 100 degrees Fahrenheit. The Commissioners have done and are now doing everything in their power to prevent the sale of oils which do not come up to the standard required by law. But the law is found to be defective in its operation, and it is hoped that the incoming Legislature, upon having their attention called to it, will make such enactments as will render the use of inflammable oils comparatively safe.

Gas burners, unprotected by globes or shades, in close proximity to window curtains, are another fruitful source of fires in our dwellings; and it is not uncommon to see a side burner in workshops, and even in large warehouses, where the surroundings are light woodwork, without a guard or protection of any kind. While we know that we are powerless to secure proper caution on the part of the public against accidents of the character referred to, we recognize it as our duty to furnish the means for promptly attacking fires and thereby preventing their extension. The Commissioners are continually devising means by which fires may be reached at the earliest possible moment. The use of a portable fire extinguisher, carried by one man, for catching fires in their inception, was long since adopted; and it is now under contemplation to multiply them throughout the City, wherever convenient and desirable locations can be found. The introduction of a new and perfect fire alarm telegraph, with alarm boxes located not more than two or three blocks apart, and accessible to citizens as well as policemen and firemen on street patrol, thereby securing the earliest possible notice of a fire, is quite certain to contribute greatly to the successful working of the Department. The establishment of a complete system of street patrols by firemen, having for its object the discovery and extinguishment of fires, was one of the earliest means adopted to reduce the losses by fire.

You say in the article referred to:

"Our means of fire-extinguishment are certainly not commensurate with the needs of the City in its extensive conflagrations, which are frequent, and the annual resulting loss is millions of dollars. Our present engines are serviceable and should be retained, but they should be supplemented by a flying corps that can reach the required spot almost simultaneously with the alarm; and to accomplish this the fire stations must be multiplied. Apparatus sufficiently light to be easily portable should be stationed over the City at such intervals as to be able to instantly meet every emergency; even if it were nothing more than a short hose, manageable by one man, it would in many cases be amply sufficient, and have lower floor fires put out before the engines could arrive.

The Fire Commissioners have so admirably managed the public service in their charge that we are justified in calling attention to the defects yet apparent in their system. A vast improvement is perceptible since the time when the tap of the fire bell was merely the signal for a jubilee of ruffianism, but perfection has not yet been reached, and the Commissioners are sensible enough not to make the claim."

In this you are exactly correct. And the means proposed of locating light portable fire extinguishers at public offices, hotels, police stations, &c., in connection with the street patrols of firemen, and an increased number of telegraph alarm stations, will, I think, prove sufficient for any and all emergencies. In fact, under existing circumstances, these are the only means available. The location of light hose carriages to be drawn by hand, in sufficient numbers to meet the requirements of the whole City, would not only be attended with a very large outlay of money in the beginning, but would also entail upon us a continuous burden of expenditures for supplies, repairs, house rents and salaries of at least three men for each station. Moreover, in many parts of the City during business hours, the water pressure at the hydrants is so slight as to be of no practical use in extinguishing fires, thus making the use of engines imperative.

The heavy steam engines formerly in use in this Department have been replaced by lighter ones, and any apparent lack of promptness in reaching the scene of conflagration is attributable to the delay in communicating the alarm to the Department, and not to the unwieldiness of the engines. The horses have no difficulty in drawing them through the streets as fast as it is safe for them to travel. And as for the time consumed in hitching up, preparing to leave the house, making connections to the hydrant after reaching the vicinity of the fire, stretching in and starting the water, under the present system of instruction, it is so incredibly short that the movements must be witnessed to be appreciated. Certain it is that no apparatus on wheels [illegible]

ALEXANDER SHALER,
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HEADQUARTERS METROPOLITAN FIRE BRIGADE,
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THE DRAWBACK FRAUDS.

Nomination of a Successor to Mr. Blatchford—Further Investigations.

Pending the result of the examination of Mr. S. T. BLATCHFORD'S case by the United States law officers, Collector GRINNELL himself has also been investigating the matter. Though saying but little, he has not been idle in ferreting out the extent of the alleged frauds, and is determined, in addition, to carry his vigilance into certain other departments of the Custom House.

Numerous applicants have already put in their appearance for the Deputy Collectorship which Mr. BLATCHFORD has vacated by his apparent flight. The Collector has contemplated a change in the office for some time, and yesterday afternoon it was well understood that he had decided on the person whom he should nominate. The gentleman is Mr. DANIEL H. TOMPKINS, brother of MINTURN TOMPKINS, one of the Port Wardens, and son of Governor TOMPKIN, of this State.

Mr. Stewart's Purchase at Hempstead Plains.

It is reported that Mr. A. T. STEWART has purchased nearly 2,000 acres more adjoining his original purchase at Hempstead Plains, making the entire tract about 9,000 acres. Brick clay and potters' earth have been found in large quantities on the land, and will doubtless prove very valuable. Of the many squatters who were found on the premises but one remains, the others having sold to Mr. STEWART for $250 an acre. This contumacious old gentleman demands about double. Should he persist in requiring that figure, Mr. STEWART will be much inconvenienced, as his premises cannot be reached by any decent highway, as they are situated near the centre of the Plains. He has 150 acres. Large lots of lumber are now freighted to the Plains, and the railroads are taxed to their utmost capacity. The main highway, running east and west, is nearly completed. The work will be continued during the Winter, and a steam road wagon will be employed to break the dirt. The new city will rise very rapidly and will make its founder as famous as ROMULUS and REMUS.

The Brooklyn Board of Education on School Books.

An adjourned special meeting of the Brooklyn Board of Education was held yesterday. The Board proceeded to select and adopt the books hereafter to be used in the schools, as follows: DAVIS' *Elementary Algebra*, MCGUFFEY'S *Spelling Cards*.

At this point a discussion arose as to whether the books now in use in the schools were to be thrown out and the newly-adopted books immediately put in use.

Mr. CADLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That it be referred to a Special Committee of the Board, consisting of Messrs. Kinsella, Field, Carroll, Murphy, Smith and Baylis, to examine into the proposals for the supply of text books, now under consideration, with a view of ascertaining what books should be selected, and the best and most economical policy that should be pursued with reference to the books now in the hands of the pupils in the schools.

The resolution was lost—nays, 21; yeas, 16. The Board then proceeded to discuss the list of books prepared by the Committee, and adjourned at a late hour of the evening.

Capture of a Gang of Thieves.

For a couple of months past the columns of the TIMES have contained reports of the many burglaries committed in Queens County. From JOHN ROBINSON, in Flushing, F. W. BRAGARD and O. F. OSTRANDER, in Newtown, more than $12,000 worth of property was taken. On Monday a fact was made known which led to the apprehension of some of the guilty parties, who gave their names as DANIEL FISH, GEORGE W. BAYNE and JOSEPH HART, all recently discharged convicts from Sing Sing. HART had promised to divide the fruits of his spoliations with FISH, but failed to do so, and the latter determined to have revenge. He therefore gave the necessary information to the officers, who besides detaining him, succeeded in arresting BAYNE and HART.

A Charge of Mutiny Against a Seaman.

WILLIAM CARROLL was brought up for examination before United States Commissioner SHIELDS yesterday, on the charge of attempting to create a revolt and mutiny on board the ship *Florence J. Lockwood*, during the last voyage of the vessel between Wilmington and this City. Assistant District-Attorney PURDY introduced testimony, showing that the prisoner had refused to obey the orders of his superior officer, Captain ST. JOHN, and that he had threatened to take his life. The prisoner stated in reply that he received great abuse from Captain ST. JOHN during the voyage, and that he was ordered to perform perilous and unnecessary duties.

CARROLL was held to await the action of the Grand Jury.

The Harlem Railroad "Accident"—Death of Another Victim.

AUSTIN WALBRIDGE, the Harlem Railroad engineer, who was terribly scalded on the 11th inst. by the capsizing of his engine, when his train ran off the track near Williams Bridge, died yesterday at No. 743 Third-avenue. Although the Westchester County Coroner has already taken action in the case, an inquest will be held in this City by Coroner KEENAN. The deceased leaves a widow and son. His remains will be removed to Danbury, Conn., for interment.

Prosecution of Lottery Dealers.

The cases of HENRY WARD, of No. 2 Park-row; EMMERSON, of No. 206 Broadway, and E. W. HULZ, of No. 180½ Greenwich-street, who were separately charged with carrying on the business of lottery dealers without paying special Government tax, were called before United States Commissioner SHIELDS yesterday for examination. Evidence was elicited for the defence, showing that the accused had paid the special tax to the Collector of Internal Revenue. The cases were subsequently adjourned until to-day to afford the Government an opportunity to interrogate the Collector about the matter. Assistant District-Attorney JACKSON appeared for the Government, and Mr. S. G. COURTNEY for the defence. In the case of JOHN CRENION, of No. 166 Greenwich-street, the bond given for his appearance was declared forfeited.

The Chatauqua County Fugitive—Proceedings on the Habeas Corpus Postponed.

In the matter of the *habeas corpus* of JOHN CRAWFORD, *alias* Luke Eagan, the alleged burglar of Mayfield, Chatauqua County, this State, which was to have come on for argument yesterday before Judge CARDOZO at his private chambers, Room No. 13 in the upper part of the new Court House, we are credibly informed that nothing was done beyond the traversing of the return made by Superintendent KENNEDY. That return, which was published in the TIMES of the 14th inst., is in the following words:

METROPOLITAN POLICE HEADQUARTERS,
NEW-YORK, Nov. 13, 1869.

I respectfully return to the within writ that said JOHN CRAWFORD, *alias* Luke Eagan, is not in my custody.

JOHN A. KENNEDY,
Superintendent of Metropolitan Police.

On Saturday last, the day on which the writ was made returnable at private room No. 13 before Judge CARDOZO, the case was adjourned to Tuesday, the 16th inst., at 10 A. M., at the same place. We have been informed that the relator filed a traverse yesterday, in which, among other things, there is an emphatic denial of the allegation of the Superintendent that EAGAN was not in his custody at the time the writ of *habeas corpus* was served. If this should prove to be true, there will necessarily be an examination of some witnesses before the matter can be fairly adjudicated. We have furthermore been informed that all further proceedings have been postponed to Friday next, at Judge CARDOZO'S private chambers, room No. 13. This is all that we have been able to learn on the subject. Eagan is said to be in the custody of Deputy Superintendent KENNEDY, Messrs. BROWN, HAIS and VANDERPOEL.

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Much has been said by historians concerning the "dark ages" that for a time prevailed in Europe. I would that the reflection only of such darkness could but throw its rays over our era of boasted light. I would that we might be guided by them in our endeavors to reproduce some shadows of the works of those ages. It might then be seen that we are not destitute of the qualities possessed by those men who have left on record, in the purest of languages, written in stone, works which testify to lives of truth and of earnest vital power—lives which, if lived over again, would be destined to reproduce, upon a greater area, works of a like character, truly elevating and ennobling to the present age. Had we not been favored by the reflection of such miscalled darkness, our present condition would have been darkness indeed. But, happily, we have been led to search for the true light in what the world popularly calls darkness, and to investigate, in our rambles among the beauteous and wondrous combinations of art, the treasures bequeathed to us by our predecessors. Let us, therefore, be diligent in our search for truth; let us strive to accumulate by every means possible, and with untiring energy, that knowledge which will give us the power to bequeath to future generations works the contemplation of which will endue them with such wisdom, such strength, and such clearness of perception as will enable them every where to know the good from the bad, the false from the true, and the deformed from the beautiful.

Loud applause greeted the President when he had closed his address.

Mr. RUSSELL STURGES, Jr., Secretary of the Institute, then read the report of the Board of Trustees. From this it appeared that a new Board had been organized. Early in the year correspondence was opened with architects in various cities. Philadelphia and Chicago manifested great interest in the new movement. Affairs in Boston are exceptional. The objection has been made that the Institute was Federal in its purport but really local in its character, and of benefit particularly to New-York; and that there were not inducements sufficient to bring architects in other cities to give it a hearty support. To these objections answer had been made, that in order to put the profession on its true basis an organization like the Institute is necessary. If diplomas are to be given to young architects after examination, what body so well adapted to award them as the National one? The report also recommends that additional help in the way of clerk hire be given to the Secretary, as the business of that office is accumulating. The sum of $900 is recommended for that purpose. The report avers that the initiation fee of $50 was found to be an insuperable obstacle, and the Board had therefore reduced it to $30, the time when applications for membership are to be received to expire in November next. Six architects of Philadelphia have become Fellows of the Institute. A new Chapter has been organized in that city. Another Chapter is about to be organized in Chicago, and three gentlemen have been elected Fellows from that city. The Boston Society, though not connected with the Institute, is in a flourishing condition, and bids fair to be next to that of New-York in point of numbers. Many honorary members have been elected during the year, most of whom are prominent architects in Europe. Since the last session of the Institute nine Fellows were dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues, two of whom have been lately reinstated. The Board recommends that diplomas should hereafter be in the form of annual certificates, so that such as were not members in good standing could not receive the benefits accruing from the possession of a diploma. To the Fellows, three degrees, viz., were dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues, eight became Fellows since the last annual meeting, and one is a Fellow elect. Of the ten associate Fellows whose names now appear on the roll, eight were elected since the last meeting.

The Treasurer, R. G. HATFIELD, presented his report, from which it appeared that the receipts since the last meeting are $1,475 19; of which sum $1,151 02 were expended, leaving a balance to the credit of the Institute of $324 17.

Messrs. UPJOHN, Jr., LITTELL and CLUSS were then elected an Auditing Committee, and the Treasurer's report referred to them.

The Committee on Examinations reported that they had had three meetings for the examination of candidates for the office of Inspectors under the Department for the Survey and Inspection of Buildings, and that they have attended surveys upon forty-nine buildings reported to be unsafe. The reports agreed upon at their surveys have generally been complied with and the recommendation either to repair or take down such buildings or portions of buildings which, in their opinion, were unsafe, promptly carried into effect; and it is believed that during the present year one case only has occurred in which it has been found necessary to appeal to the Courts to enforce the recommendations of the Committee. A change having been made in the law relating to unsafe buildings, under which they are appointed, since the last annual Convention.

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Reports were then read from the New-York and Philadelphia Chapters, representing each of them to be in a flourishing condition, after which the session adjourned.

An evening session for business matters was held at 8 o'clock, at which only Fellows and associates were permitted to be present.

The session this morning will begin at 11 o'clock, when the reports of the Committees will be acted on.

The Widening and Extending of Laurens-Street.

The following awards for damages have been made in the matter of widening Laurens-street, from Canal to Amity-street, and extending the said street from Amity-street to the Fifth-avenue: Frederick H. M. Newcomb, $31,298; Joseph W. Kellogg, $8,606; A. Mancl, $8,300; Michael Murphy, $21,511; unknown owners, $5,737; Nicholas Serf, $467; Amos R. Eno, $6,700; unknown owners, $137,452; Jas. Courtney, $4,183; E. Osterholt, $13,277; Henry Fiegenhein, $17,284; N. & S. Sternberger, $13,856; the Corporation of the City of New-York, $113,859; H. W. Thaule, $25,220; Bernard Stern, $2,620; John Crothers, $2,000; German [illegible]

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14th-st. and Irving-place.
IL POLIUTO. (Italian Opera.) Characters by Miss Kellogg, Messrs. Lefranc, Reyna, Barili and others.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.
8th-av. and 23d-st.
FRA DIAVOLO. (English Opera.) Characters by Messrs. Bowler, Arnold, Mrs. C. R. Bernard and others.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., corner 6th-av.
MARY WARNER. Leading characters by Miss Bateman, Mr. George Jordan and Mr. Hamilton.

FRENCH THEATRE.
14th-st., near 6th-av.
LONDON. Leading characters by Mr. F. C. Bangs and Mrs. Clara Jennings.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway and 13th-st.
HOME and IN A REGULAR FIX. Leading characters by Mr. Lester Wallack, Mr. John Gilbert, Miss Henriques, &c.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.
24th-st., near 5th-av.
SECOND LOVE. Leading characters by Mrs. F. S. Chanfrau, Miss Ethel, Messrs. Clark and Harkins.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, near Bleecker-st.
POOR HUMANITY. Leading characters by Messrs. Holston, Mortimer, and Miss Eliza Newton. MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
LITTLE NELL. Leading characters by Miss Lotta.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
THE LOST SHILLING, IDIOT JACK, &c.

THE TAMMANY.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
BURLESQUE, PANTOMIME, ATHLETIC FEATS, BALLET, &c.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

Baron WERTHER, the new Prussian Minister to France, was received by the Emperor at Compiègne yesterday, when expressions of a mutual desire for the maintenance of the present amicable relations were indulged in. The Emperor spoke particularly of the development of a good understanding between Prussia and the German Confederation on the one side and France on the other.

A new arrangement has been made about the removal of the late GEORGE PEABODY'S remains to the United States. The British man-of-war *Monarch*, with the remains on board, will be joined at Spithead by the United States vessels assigned to that duty, and in company they will cross the Atlantic. It is likely that several French vessels will join the funeral squadron.

The initial festivities connected with the opening of the Suez Canal began on the 15th at Port Said. Eastern and European customs were strangely blended, the decorations and displays exhibiting the peculiarities of the East prominently. The absence of the Sultan will permit the Viceroy of Egypt to extend the hospitalities of the occasion to his guests in his own way. The procession of vessels through the canal will be led by *L'Aigle*, the steam yacht of the French Empress, on the 19th, when the canal will be formally opened.

The Bishop of Orleans has published a letter to his clergy deprecating the inopportune claim now made for the infallibility of the Pope, and accusing the ultra journals of inconsiderate haste in the matter. The Pope, it is said, writes to Archbishop MANNING that opportunities for explanation will be granted to Protestants outside the Ecumenical Council.

An amnesty has been granted to all political offenders in Italy.

The revolt in Dalmatia is reported ended and the country quiet.

The *Journal des Débats* of Paris, says Ex-Queen ISABELLA has definitively abdicated the Spanish throne. *Le Temps* of Paris says that unless a victorious revolution or a *coup d'état* occurs, Spain will remain an irregular republic under the name of monarchy. The fate of the Republican prisoners is under consideration, and it is thought that they will be given the choice of joining the army in Cuba or banishment.

GENERAL.

The will of the late AMOS KENDALL was admitted to probate yesterday in Washington. It bequeaths $10,000 and lands in Arkansas to a grandson, his personal property to his four daughters, and empowers the executors to divide his real estate ($300,000) among his heirs.

The boiler explosion at Catskill Village on Monday morning was not so serious a calamity as at first reported. No lives have thus far been lost, although the condition of Mrs. BRANDOW, who sustained injuries in the head and may have to submit to amputation of one leg, is very critical. The boiler was thrown three hundred feet, falling in a creek. The damage done amounts to about $15,000.

During an entertainment in the Gaiety Theatre, Milwaukee, Wis., on Monday night, the scenery was set on fire by a kerosene lamp, which was shattered by the rapier of one of the actors in a fencing scene. The flames spread so rapidly that before the audience could escape the whole interior was in flames, and many were compelled to jump from the windows of the second story. The bodies of two persons have been discovered in the ruins, and it is supposed that others are still under the débris. Fifteen or twenty persons were badly injured.

The latest advices from the Winnepeg region represent Governor MCDOUGALL encamped in Dakota, where he will await the operations of a party at Fort Garry, said to be favorable to him. The insurgents have established a provisional Government, similar to the fourteenth Governments in the United States, with a Legislature, a flag for school purposes. The Convention, it is reported, [illegible] by the 1st inst. with the proclamation of June, and with the permission of the United States Government to move his forces through our Northwestern States.

General SPINNER'S condition, according to a dispatch from Washington, had improved yesterday.

Colonel WILLIAM SMITH, Superintendent of several railroads, died in Dayton, Ohio, yesterday.

Advices from Newfoundland indicate that the recent elections in that Island have resulted adversely to the advocates of the confederation of that Province with the Dominion of Canada.

A cotton factory in Spruce-street, near Schuylkill, Philadelphia, was burned on Monday night. The loss is estimated at $30,000.

The Tennessee House of Representatives yesterday ratified the Fifteenth Amendment. The Amendment was also ratified yesterday by both branches of the Alabama Legislature.

A Kingston, Ontario, dispatch says that Father MCMAHON'S allegations of ill treatment while a prisoner there, provoke indignation and expressions of regret that he has been released.

PRINCE & DINSMORE'S planing mill, at Lewiston, Me., was destroyed by fire yesterday morning, together with several dwellings near the mill. The loss of the mill owners is $7,000.

EDWARD HEALEY, a grocer in South Boston, dashed out his wife's brains with an ax on Monday night. He was committed for trial yesterday.

A snow storm began at Washington yesterday morning at 11 o'clock which reached Philadelphia about 1:30 P. M.

LOCAL.

The third annual Convention of the American Institute of Architects is now in session at the rooms of the American Chapter, No. 928 Broadway. The preliminary meeting was held at 8 P. M. yesterday. The Convention will close its proceedings at 8 P. M. to-day. The closing address will be delivered by E. L. GODKIN, Esq., of this City.

Captain DEGROOT, the artist of the Vanderbilt Bronze, gave an entertainment to the members of the New-York Press at the Astor House, last evening, which was numerously attended. HORACE GREELEY presided, and speeches were made by the Chairman, by Captain DEGROOT, Mr. HALSEY, of Cincinnati; Mr. ROOSEVELT, Mr. DUGANNE and others.

WENDELL PHILLIPS delivered a lecture last evening at Steinway Hall on "The Question of the Future," during which he reviewed at considerable length the effects of the ballot-box, temperance, and the right of woman to vote.

A commission composed of Treasury officials arrived in this City on Wednesday last, for the purpose of making an investigation into the new national currency stamp in the possession of the American and National Bank Note Companies. The investigation was conducted in a very secret manner at the American Bank Note Company's office, but was finished on Saturday in a manner highly satisfactory to the Commission and to the Company. The investigation at the National Bank Note Company's office has not yet terminated.

It was well understood at the Custom House yesterday that the Collector has determined to nominate Mr. DANIEL H. TOMPKINS as Deputy Collector in the place of S. T. BLATCHFORD, who has virtually abandoned the position.

The Sixty-fifth Anniversary of the New-York Historical Society was celebrated last evening at their Hall. Rev. Dr. MORGAN delivered the address on the occasion. His subject was "Conservatism in its Relation to Progress."

JOHN MITCHELL lectured last night at the Cooper Institute for the benefit of Mrs. LARKIN, whose husband was one of the Fenians hanged at Manchester. The subject was "Henry Grattan and Smith O'Brien."

The Drawback Frauds.

The promise of the new Administration to ferret out, check and punish fraud in high places, is in a fair way of fulfillment. On Friday morning the examination in the case of the drawback frauds, which occurred under the last Administration, is to be resumed before Commissioner OSBORN. Enough progress has already been made, however, in the investigations of District-Attorney PIERREPONT and Collector GRINNELL, to show that these frauds, as we have already said, amount to nearly a million dollars, and implicate many persons, clerks, brokers, and revenue officers.

As usual with plots as fine spun and adroit as this, the clue to its unraveling was given by disappointed accomplices. The frauds began, apparently, with one SUMMERS, three or four years ago. His bogus claims of drawback were forwarded by dishonest Custom House clerks, and out of the proceeds he ran a course of dissipation soon closed by his death. Next on the scene appear the CALDWELLS, in 1866, who are said to have realized a quarter of a million out of their operations. Their accomplice was S. T BLATCHFORD, a clerk in the Drawback Department in 1866, and a Deputy Collector in 1867 and 1868. To them succeeded WHIMSTER, WELLWOOD and others; and as BLATCHFORD had secured an appointment to another position, his successor, THERIOTT, in like manner became the ally of the successors of the CALDWELLS in the fraud. Such was the chain of iniquitous proceedings; and connected with it, and more or less implicated by the testimony already published in our columns, are such names as S. W. GREEN, MULLIGAN, F. A. HOWARD, J. A. MOTT, H. A. DICKINSON, ALEX. GRANT, Jr., together with FREER, KORN, S. F. RANDALL and others as already recorded.

Of course many of the guilty parties have already fled with their ill-gotten gains. RANDALL is in Cuba, it is said, with $80,000; FREER, the Washington claim agent, who helped the fraud at that end of the line, is in Europe, probably, with $240,000—more than his fair share; MOTT, a Government clerk in Washington, charged with complicity with WHIMSTER, is in California; WELLWOOD, bookkeeper for the CALDWELLS, turned informer and then fled, and is now in Canada; while BLATCHFORD, who lately took "French leave" at the Custom House, has not yet been apprehended. The wonder is that frauds so enormous, so audacious, extending over so long a period, and involving so many persons, could be so successfully prosecuted.

However, a brief explanation of the nature and operation of the drawback claim will somewhat diminish the surprise naturally connected with the present disclosures. A law of Congress, designed to help our trade, provides that, if articles manufactured, and on which a revenue tax has been paid, shall afterward be exported, the tax collected on them in the first instance shall be refunded to the exporter. This is the "drawback." The necessary certificates of export pass through a series of desks at the Custom House, as usual, to identify the articles, and, when each has affixed his name and initials, proving that the articles that pass out had really paid [illegible] tax, a check [illegible] came to Washington. The [illegible] which they [illegible] with now [illegible] permit—false certificates of exports were made out, and drawbacks were received on goods never exported. That is the pith of all the evidence in the case hitherto taken. The documentary proof which has come on almost by the ream from Washington, consists chiefly of false export certificates from the Custom House that the goods enumerated in drawback claims had been exported. But there was a wide-spread system of frauds connected with this fundamental one—such as the acceptance of spurious or worthless bonds from the conspirators, for which genuine bond certificates were furnished in return, and irregular affidavits from Notaries Public.

The final disclosures occurred in the way they might have been expected to occur. There was no "honor among thieves." While THERIOTT, for example, is said to have made but $250 out of his share in the transactions, FREER, the Washington claim agent, was not content, apparently, with much less than $250,000, and the CALDWELLS reaped the same sum. Those who were dissatisfied with their shares, or who had possibly a lingering sense of shame, informed against the others. The Government had already begun investigation into the suspected drawback frauds last Winter, and arrested KORN, a clerk for the CALDWELLS, who was in due time indicted by the Grand Jury. Two months ago, KORN made a clean breast, apparently, of his part of the transactions, "not being able to see why he should suffer while those who had made so much more money went free." How the case was subsequently worked up, HOWARD and KORN testifying against MULLIGAN, KORN against HOWARD, and so on, our readers already know. KORN'S testimony, on Monday, in the case of HOWARD, was that the names of BLATCHFORD and HOWARD both appeared on CALDWELL'S books, and that the division of the proceeds on fraudulent claims was as follows:

"The party who produced the Revenue certificates received forty per cent. of the money derived from the fraudulent claims; CALDWELL kept forty per cent. for himself; the other twenty per cent. went for expenses; BLATCHFORD and HOWARD each ten per cent. for their services, the money being reckoned as expenses; a man named CHAS. F. SQUIERS procured the certificates."

HOWARD was then acting as a clerk in the Internal Revenue office at Washington, and was relied on for ferreting out the very frauds for alleged participation in which he is now under examination.

Such, in brief, is the opening of this extraordinary case of fraud, which is likely for many days to attract the attention of the mercantile world. If there is one feature more surprising than another in it, it is the boldness, and even recklessness, with which its operations were conducted. The business began, for example, with fraudulent operations in tobacco and petroleum. But when forged internal revenue certificates were found so easy to procure, some extraordinary claims for drawbacks were made—one on an enormous quantity of hypothecated petroleum oil, which, it was claimed, had been exported; another on a preposterous cargo of steam cars, and so on. Nothing was too extravagant.

That such a coil of intrigue was possible, and was only traced partially less than a year ago, is sufficient proof of the official mismanagment prevailing in public offices in 1866, 1867 and 1868. And, indeed, it is said that the original operators were led to devise their plans by the loose and easy way in which drawback claims were then obtained. However that may be, the zeal and skill with which this whole scheme has now been unearthed, is the best guarantee we can ask that a different system of conducting public business has been begun. While the disclosures will astound many by their magnitude, they will yet have the effect to warn other would-be evil-doers against similar attempts. It is probable that we have not yet got to the bottom of the story, and that other names will appear in connection with it, as the investigations go on.

Turret and Casemate.

Ever since the advent of the American monitor revolutionized modern naval warfare, English engineers have been busily endeavoring to devise something of their own to take its place. Hitherto, these attempts have, one after another, failed; and the nearest approaches to "superseding" the monitor have consisted in "borrowing" bodily certain characteristic parts—for example, the balanced rudder or the turret.

Now, however, in the Turkish armor-clad war vessel *Moyini Zaffer*, lately built on the Thames, some of the English scientific journals think that their great object of search—a substitute for the monitor—has been found. It is rather cruel, therefore, for an American professional journal to take up the new prodigy, point by point, and demonstrate its inferiority to the famous model on which the American, Russian and Swedish iron-clad navies have been constructed.

The casemate ship, intended for the defence of the Bosphorus, and which has been constructed with the greatest care, has, at most, armor plates six inches thick; while our double-turreted monitors, in the same draught of water, will support side armor ten inches thick and turrets fifteen inches thick. The fixed casemate, which distinguishes this Turkish ship from our monitors, will only carry four of Sir WILLIAM ARMSTRONG'S 12-ton rifled guns; our monitors can be mounted with four 24-ton guns—and, for that matter, the turret and carriage in the monitor can carry guns of any weight.

However, it is not only in offensive and defensive strength—in impregnability and battery-power—that our double-turreted monitors surpass the *Moyini Zaffer*. The latter has, also, for its battery, a very limited horizontal range. It will be obvious to any one that by the well-known principle on which the monitor turret revolves, its four guns can be trained to any point in the horizon—each one of them sweeping a field of 170 degrees. On the other hand, the highest range of the four guns of the English-built ship is 99 degrees. And, taking this fact in connection with the difference in weight of metal in the battery, the professional journal demonstrates that the actual efficiency [illegible] of [illegible] guns can be pointed on the line of the ship's course. With the monitor, the entire field can be swept by all her guns, and all can fire in a direct line with her keel.

The question is therefore raised, why, in view of such facts, British constructors do not adopt the American, or monitor-turret system, in place of the fixed battery. The only conceivable reason is that they have been misled by erroneous accounts of the monitors, published during the war, when it was the interest of the enemies of the Union, both on this side of the ocean and the other, to lessen their prestige. In addition to this, some American writers, ignorant of the real facts, have disseminated almost equally erroneous opinions. One of the main objections to the monitor so assigned, was that "the joint between the turret and the deck cannot be made secure"—an assumption on theory wholly contrary to the historic fact.

We are perfectly content that this misapprehension should subsist. Our only purpose is to show that the monitor has not yet been "superseded" by the latest and most elaborate of the fixed casemate ships, and, at this rate, is not likely to be.

The Right Spirit.

The bitterness of spirit which stern conflict engendered is dying out among the Southern Republicans. In Alabama, as in Arkansas, the Governor has promulgated opinions which indicate the rapid growth of generous sentiment, and the prevalence of a disposition to obliterate as quickly as possible all that remains of proscription, whether in Federal or local legislation. Governor CLAYTON, in Arkansas, has informally but explicitly identified himself with the genuine peacemakers,—those who, having secured the essentials of an enduring reconstruction, are now ready to discard disabilities as an auxiliary of loyalty, and to cultivate cordial relations with all who accept the new order of things in good faith. More formally, Governor SMITH, in his message to the Alabama Legislature, has inculcated the same general ideas. His tone, the telegraph tells us, is "very conservative." He deprecates appeals for military interference in State affairs, and declares that the demands hitherto urged on that subject have been without justification. The people of the State he represents as peaceful, and its general progress as satisfactory.

Now, Governors CLAYTON and SMITH are "Radicals" of the first water. Their devotion to the Republican Party is second only to their devotion to the Union. They command the confidence of the great body of Republicans in their respective States, and their record entitles them to it. In giving utterance to liberal and conciliatory opinions, then, they cannot be suspected of lukewarmness in the cause with which they both are identified, nor can they be supposed to have diverged very widely from the main current of local Republican opinion. Time, and a better understanding of the grounds of difference, and the influence of returning prosperity, and the sense of common material interest, and the effect of a wise exercise of national authority under GRANT'S Administration, have doubtless all contributed to the gratifying change.

The Reign of the Tite-Barnacles.

It is hard work to break down any system which politicians have found handy for purposes of corruption. We have not only to fight against the corrupters, but the corrupted, and the still more numerous class which is quite willing to be corrupted if any one will make it worth their while. But if the public can once be brought to a proper appreciation of the evils produced by a vicious institution, they may be relied upon to sweep it out of the way. We have long endeavored to secure a reform of the Judiciary in this State; and to superficial observers it might have seemed that our labor was lost. But the very heavy vote—it *may* turn out to be a majority—for the Judiciary Article recently submitted to the people, shows that the public mind is always open to the reception of truth. For this reason we gladly welcome any new effort to arouse the whole country to the importance of remodelling the civil service. We may have to toil on for some time yet, but "constant dropping wears away a stone," and we shall certainly win in the end. It is impossible that people can go on reading Mr. JENCKES' statements and arguments, or articles like those of Mr. ADAMS in the *North American Review*, and of Mr. PARTON in the new number of the *Atlantic Monthly*, or the essay of Mr. G. W. CURTIS at the Social Science Congress, without being stirred to rid the country of one of the greatest scandals associated with it, at home or abroad.

The civil service is a dishonest blunder from beginning to end. When we have a good man in any post we very rarely allow him to remain there long. We either transfer him to some appointment for which he is not fitted, and in which his special abilities are utterly thrown away, or we get rid of him altogether, and put a worthless, incompetent, unprincipled office-seeker in his place. People go to members of Congress and demand appointments as a matter of right. The same plan is sometimes tried in England. A voter goes to a member of Parliament, and says: "I was on your Committee at the last election, and, as you know, I had a good deal to do with your success. Now I want to get my son into a Government office." But the member cannot help such a man, if he would. The Prime Minister himself could not put any one into a public office, although he might give him an appointment outside of it. All he can say to the applicant is: "If your son possesses the qualifications exacted by the particular office you wish him to enter, he will be able to pass the competitive examination, and that is the only door open to you, me, or anybody else." The son of a lord must pass just the same examination as the son of a shoemaker. People who wish their children to enter the civil service, have them trained at school especially for it, and if afterward they fail to pass the examination, they know that it is [illegible] of course [illegible] of Congress badgers the head of a Department until he gets places for as many of his friends as he is anxious to oblige.

Of course we lose all the good men and get all the bad by this process. You cannot induce first-class men to go begging round among members of Congress for an appointment. The persons who are ready for that kind of work are the very ones whom the Government ought not to employ at any price. The Government, to begin with, does not pay enough to compensate able men, who have no private means for devoting the whole of their time to the service of the country. The late Chief Justice of the Supreme Court gave up a lucrative practice at the Maryland Bar in order to accept the post offered him by the Government. His habits were moderate, but he died in a destitute condition. "When I was in Washington last Winter," says Mr. PARTON, "the daughters of the late Chief Justice were earning a scanty, precarious livelihood by copying documents in one of the public offices at eight cents per hundred words." Another member of the Supreme Court was last Winter paying the whole of his salary for the board of himself and his wife. It took all the ex-Attorney-General's salary to pay his rent. We all know what happens when men of an inferior type are placed in this predicament. They eke out their salaries by taking bribes, by plundering the public, by defrauding the Government—and they persuade themselves that they are justified in so doing because the Government is trying to cheat them by taking their time without paying for it.

The perpetual scramble for place is demoralizing the public mind, and impeding the business of Government in every direction. It is all very well to recommend people to go out to the wilderness and work. Why should they toil for bread when by scheming and intriguing they may obtain an "office?" Of course a large proportion must fail. But they never give up hope. They would rather dog the heels of a member of Congress, or haunt the precincts of the White House, for a year together, than do a day's hard labor. Once let it be understood that a proof of competency will be required from every man before he can obtain office, and all this dirty work will come to an end—at least so far as the civil service is concerned. For this reason we recommend, as we have done before, the institution of a system of competitive examinations. What can be fairer? The best man will win in the larger number of cases. A higher standard of honor would prevail in the new service, and that alone would go far toward extinguishing corruption. In England the plan has answered to perfection, and it has been extended to India with the very best results. Once, valuable appointments in the Indian civil service were in the gift of a few families. Now the poorest boy in Great Britain is eligible to compete for them—and what is more, the poorest boys often get them. It is not an untried experiment which we urge upon the public attention. It has produced an efficient civil service in every country where it has been adopted. Why should we hesitate to ascertain the qualifications of our public servants before engaging them, and afterward to remunerate them at a fair rate? It is the only way of getting the work of the nation well and honestly done.

The Irish Land System and its Proposed Reform.

While the large number of speeches and essays which have been uttered and written in England upon the Irish land question do not suggest any very clear method of its settlement, they do prove that no time is to be lost in giving this one more installment of justice to Ireland. The grievances which are complained of are, however, acknowledged, which is one difficulty disposed of. The objects in view are to procure some certainty of occupation for the tenant, where at present there is none, and to do away with that long catalogue of evils which have followed in the train of absenteeism and an oppressive system of land tenure. And there is a pretty general agreement that these reforms, however arrived at, must be sufficient to satisfy all but the most violent advocate of a repeal of the union.

There can be no doubt that nothing less than radical changes in the relations of landlord and tenant in Ireland will answer the purpose of quieting disaffection. There is a sort of natural justice in the demand that the small farmer shall be undisturbed by the owner of his land, so long as he fulfills the duties of a tenant. And the possibility that, for holding some political opinion adverse to that of this owner, or because improvements had increased the value of the farm, he may be evicted, is a gross and palpable wrong which must cease. The fact, moreover, that the landowner, some titled man, perhaps, never visits his property, but intrusts its management to the hands of an unwatched agent, is favorable to all kinds of tyranny and corruption. These all need remedy, but the question is what? Mr. CAIRD has attempted to supply it by a proposed measure, which contains several new features. One of these is an entire reversal of the practice of eviction. At present the course of the agent is, in a very large proportion of cases, most arbitrary and cruel. It is simply an order to vacate the house or hut at once, and forcible expulsion in case of refusal to comply with all speed. It is proposed to substitute for this barbarity the giving of formal notice, not merely verbal but by service, and by publication in the *Gazette* and widely circulated papers. By this method fair time would be secured to the tenant in which to make his arrangements, and the public as well as the absentee proprietor might learn something of what is going on upon the latter's estate. Mr. CAIRD suggests twenty-one-year leases as the principal basis of tenure. This is open to great objections, coupled as it is with the reversion to the owner of all improvements at the end of that time. While ostensibly but an effort to secure the interests of the landlord, this plan proposes the imposition of a condition which, though it does not become apparently realizable until the end of the term, is a deterring influence against improvements throughout its duration. Another proposition is scarcely less unserviceable—that of compelling owners who wish to evict to give a five years' lease before they can do so,—for that is only prolonging the wretchedness of the tenant, and postponing for a time his, perhaps, inevitable ruin.

Fixity of tenure is the remedy suggested by some other writers on the subject; that is, that the tenant shall remain in possession so long as he pleases and pays his rent. If, however, at any time the owner wish to resume possession, he shall buy the tenant out, upon the valuation of some local authority, based upon the cost of improvements and damages for disturbance. But neither of these plans appears to meet the case. What is wanted is that the Irish tenant-farmers be given facilities for acquiring land in their own right. The desire for such acquisition is both natural and just. It is as strongly felt in England as in Ireland. The United States has, by its homestead laws, made provision to satisfy it, and agrarian outrages are therefore unknown. Not that the proprietors of large estates are to be despoiled of their possessions; but if those of them who are merely absent pensioners, and whose neglect is responsible for much of the evils complained of, are called upon to sell to the Government, which, in its turn, may sell on easy terms to the occupiers, they, least of all, need feel no surprise. One thing is certain—the same bold and far-seeing policy which was applied to the Irish Church question must also be resorted to in that of the land. It is not only Irish prosperity which must be promoted, but pacification which must be striven for.

There can be no doubt that the honors paid to the remains of Mr. PEABODY are in part intended as a compliment to this country. Her Majesty's steamer *Monarch* will bring the body to these shores, in company with some vessels from the French fleet, and a detachment of American ships from the Mediterranean Squadron. The differences of opinion which have existed between these nations ought not to render us insensible to the homage now paid to us, or to the good feeling which prompts so many tributes of affection and admiration for a man who was almost universally regarded as a representative American, in his charity of heart, his sympathy for the poor, and his sincere desire to render the world happier and better than he found it.

At this time of the year the human constitution is put to a pretty severe trial in this country. It is not the weather which is our enemy so much as the means we employ for "dodging" the weather. The heater, although a good thing in moderation, is very often turned into an effective arrangement for making young people "delicate," for rendering the old feeble and infirm, and for giving everybody severe colds. People eat and sleep in an atmosphere artificially heated to between 60° and 80°. The degree of heat, and the constant changes to which it exposes us, are not the only evils. The air is vitiated by the heater, and when the temperature is raised to an extreme point, as it is in many of our stores and dwelling houses, it is impossible for any human lungs to breathe it without sustaining injury. To bring up children in such an atmosphere is simply to weaken them for life. Some people have so demoralized their vital system as to be scarcely able to live a yard away from the heater. There is a well-known dry goods store in this City where the thermometer would nearly always register 75° of heat. Is it any wonder that people complain of headaches after being in there half an hour or so?

The streets of this City have seldom been in a dirtier condition than at present—and that is saying a good deal. Broadway, which, according to contract, is to be swept every night, has not been thoroughly swept for a month; and as for the other "main thoroughfares," which the contract requires shall be cleaned once a day, they are never cleaned at all. The present street cleaning contractor is JOHN L. BROWN, and the City pays him $606,000 per annum, or about $2,000 for every day in which the weather will permit him to do work under the contract. How is he earning his money? Who audits his bills? Will the Street-cleaning Commission do the public the favor to look into the matter? But first let them take a ride around the City and look at the streets.

No doubt the reception given to the Prussian ambassador by the Emperor NAPOLEON, at Compiègne, conflicts, at first sight, with the reported alliance of France, Russia and Austria. But NAPOLEON is in the habit of following Commodore VANDERBILT'S principle—tell no one your plans until you have accomplished them. He is said to have assured Baron WERTHER that he much wished the development of a good understanding between Prussia, the German Confederation, and France. Very likely; but he may have peculiar ideas about the best way of arriving at such an understanding. There is at least one person in Prussia who is not likely to be thrown off his guard by fine words—Count BISMARCK, and he has hitherto proved himself to be fully a match for NAPOLEON.

In his speech, delivered in Albany immediately after election, Governor HOFFMAN said:

"We propose to give to the people of the State of New-York, all over, the right of self-government. We propose to abolish all laws that infringe upon the rights of localities—to secure to them the right to govern themselves. We propose to make the State of New-York, and the Government in all branches, thoroughly Democratic."

Governor HOFFMAN, as is well known, is simply a creature of the Tammany Ring in this City. They made him all he is, and he has not yet shown that he dares do anything contrary to their wishes. One of the chiefs, if not *the* chief, of this Ring is WM. M. TWEED, and the kind of "self-government" that prevails where they have sway is well illustrated in the following, which we take from a morning paper, and which furnishes the best commentary that can be made on the Governor's speech:

"A delegation from the Seventh Ward yesterday presented the Hon. WILLIAM M. TWEED a petition, signed by 2,000 taxpayers of the ward, humbly begging for the nomination of Mr. RICHARD WALTERS to a seat in the Board of Aldermen. It is to be hoped that Mr. TWEED may respect the wishes of the people in this instance."

To make a canal across the Isthmus of Suez, and so connect the Mediterranean and the Red Sea, is one thing; to render the Red Sea easy of navigation is another. At present the most careful seamanship cannot securely guard vessels against accidents. The sea is full of coral reefs and shoals. Only the other day we reported the loss of a steamer, larger than the *Scotia* in this perilous highway. When the road becomes crowded we may look for a much larger proportion of accidents. It is known as eight days' steaming between Suez and Aden, and during the whole of that time the Captain of the "Peninsular and Oriental" steamer—the line which plies between England and India—is scarcely ever off the deck, and never takes off his clothes. And yet with all this vigilance three of these steamers have been lost within a very few years. It is proposed, we believe, that the Red Sea should be beaconed and buoyed at the expense of England and France. It would be a noble work, and it is impossible to doubt that some hundreds of lives would be saved by it. To the ordinary passenger the discomforts of a Red Sea passage—the fearful heat, the intolerable tension on the air, the gloom and depression produced by all the surrounding circumstances—are quite enough to face without the prospect of shipwreck and death being added.

By the time it comes to be considered that the boy or man who carries a pistol in such a City as this, carries also the heart of a coward within his breast, it is possible that the custom will die out. It is all nonsense for the ordinary run of people to pretend that a pistol in their pocket is necessary for their protection. No doubt many persons have duties to perform which render it almost necessary that they should go armed, but every boy now thinks that it is the "proper thing" to have a "Derringer" in his waistband, when the rod is really what would do him good. It is half a pity that JEM MACE cannot teach these twopenny swashbucklers that it is possible to defend oneself against any fair odds without using the weapon of the midnight assassin. We are not the advocates of prize fighting, but the pugilist, at his worst, is a less heinous offender than that miserable assassin JACKSON, Deputy Sheriff, who shot an old and defenceless man while his back was turned, and who now vainly hopes that his crime will be forgotten by the Press and the public. Every man who carries a pistol, except for well-defined objects of self-defence, is actually a coward and potentially a murderer. Consequently, the law ought to take his pistol from him, and give him a taste of the prison cell into the bargain.

Without accepting literally the Chicago dispatch purporting to represent the quandary in which the new Canadian Governor of the Hudson's Bay Territory finds himself, there seems to be a sufficient basis of fact to indicate one prolific source of trouble which the Dominion Government cannot hope altogether to avert. The Indians and halfbreeds were content with the sway of the great fur monopoly; its policy suited their ends; its operations comported with their convenience and profit. By introducing organized authority of another character, and inaugurating a policy which appropriates the hunting grounds for purposes of settlement, the Dominion appears to array itself against the Indian and half-breed population, who are not likely to surrender their vast domain without a struggle. In the nature of things, they will sooner or later give trouble to the Canadian officials, who, isolated and helpless, have not a very pleasant prospect before them. The only succor they can receive from Canada must proceed through United States territory or not at all; and even if permission be granted by the Washington Administration, it is quite certain that any force which the Dominion can send will be utterly unequal to the emergency. Of course, finally, civilization and government will prove more than a match for the Indians. But we look for a series of difficulties akin to those with which the settlers upon our own frontier are painfully familiar,—with this difference, that the Canadian Government will be less able to cope with the danger, because separated from it by a wilderness of rock, river and forest, extending many hundreds of miles, without facilities of any description. Governor MCDOUGALL has before him a time of severe trial; and those who go to join and succor him, whether soldiers or settlers, will have a hard road to travel.

The courageous directness of Mr. BENNETT gives him already the advantage over Mr. ASHBURY in the matter of the yacht challenge. Where there is a will there is a way in such controversies, and we do not well see how the latter gentleman can refuse the offer of the owner of the *Dauntless*, which is a very simple one, and may also be called a sublime one. It is not so terrible, perhaps, as the challenge of the old *grognard* who once invited his adversary to sit with him on a kilderkin of gunpowder, each man with his lucifer match; but that rush over the Atlantic in the time of the equinox, when "the lion, March, is on the seas," is confessedly something to stagger any yachtsman of the old school. It may seem too continental for the British imagination, which would probably find a home course around the Channel Islands far more agreeable.

At the women's right meeting in the Brooklyn Academy of Music some very ladylike and applauded arguments were used. Mrs. STORM said, in her own persuasive way, that when a woman with the suffrage wanted her husband *to vote as she wished*, she would put on the table all the dainties she knew he liked. There were cheers at this—coming no doubt from some gentlemen who liked the idea. The same speaker also suggested the innovation of ornamenting the polling booths with flower vases—another very attractive idea; better certainly than the notion of those late Brooklyn grog bottles we have heard of. Another lady laughed at the women who assented to all their husbands said, calling them "mushes of concession." This was very much applauded, and the mushes will of course begin henceforward to take it to heart for the benefit of all concerned.

Railroad accidents, caused by the carelessness of switchmen, have been so common that they fail to attract more than a momentary attention from the public. One of these men misplaces a switch, a train is thrown from the track, somebody is killed, the Coroner censures the culprit, and there the matter ends. Nobody ever heard of a conviction in these cases, and the result is that men are encouraged to neglect their duties at the peril of human life. This farce of censuring has just been repeated in the case of the Harlem Railroad accident of the 11th inst.—the switchman and the company both being held to liability. Who believes that they will be indicted and punished?

It is gratifying to note the evidence of prosperity among the people of South Carolina. During the past year they have paid over two and a half million dollars into the Internal Revenue Department, besides a million dollars State taxes, while their debt has been so far reduced that it amounts to but one-sixth of that of North Carolina. This cheering exhibit is due mainly to the abundance of the rice and cotton crops of the past year, the value of which will reach, if it does not exceed, twenty-five million dollars. It is not to be forgotten, however, that something is due to the moderation which has characterized the legislation of the State, for without this the fruitfulness of

the call would have been unavailing to improve the financial condition of the Government. In this case reconstruction is justified by its fruits.

The prospect for the early ratification of the proposed Fifteenth Amendment is improving. Yesterday both branches of the Alabama Legislature ratified it by large majorities, and the House of Representatives of Tennessee took similar action, the vote being 57 yeas and 12 nays. There has been some doubt respecting the action of Tennessee, and it is gratifying to be thus assured that the pledges given before the State election are to be fulfilled. We published in September a statement showing that at that time nineteen States had ratified the Amendment. Since that date Vermont and Virginia have recorded their votes in its favor. These, with Alabama, make twenty-two States which have indorsed the Amendment; six more are required to make the ratification complete. It is safe to count upon Iowa, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, Rhode Island, Tennessee and Texas as now sure to vote in favor of the Amendment, thus completely ratifying it, with one State to spare.

The disabled veterans of the war are to be benefited by the proceeds of Miss OLIVE LOGAN'S lecture on "Girls," at Steinway Hall, this evening. Apart from the interest attaching to the lecture itself, and the popularity enjoyed by the lecturer, the excellent purpose which is to be promoted should attract a full audience.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

"LONDON" AT THE FRENCH THEATRE.

The second performance of the new sensational drama of "London; or, Lights and Shadows of the Great City," was enjoyed at the French Theatre, last evening, by a numerous audience. The work, in spite of a complication of incidents, is an interesting one, and its purity of tone gives it a value distinct from recent pieces of a similar order. We shall not undertake to recount here the story of "London," upon which rests an acting play in the fullest sense of the term. The misfortunes of the principal persons figuring in it are abundant enough to enlist sympathy were they even less forcibly illustrated than they are, and comic element is sufficiently strong to relieve the darkness of a great portion of the picture. It would be to little purpose to write at length of the actors, most of whom are well known and esteemed. Mrs. CLARA JENNINGS, who embodies *Alice Heron*, is recognized as a beautiful, experienced and, better than all, painstaking actress. Mr. F. C. BANGS, who personates *Harold Forrester*, will be remembered for his very impressive acting in "Patric," and can be referred to in this connection as endowing the rather thankless part he takes with as much chivalry as it will bear, and with a sufficiency of it to make it a creditable and an agreeable performance. Mr. LEWIS BAKER, a comedian of genuine merit, personates *Ralph Heron*, an aged but not a venerable being, whose wickedness would elicit such reproval as might enable the authors to dispense with any other villains. Finally, Mr. RIGHTON and Mr. PARSLOE, Jr., assume the other *rôles*, and contribute, the former a well-studied embodiment, and the latter a sketch of the traditional *gamin* with which past acquaintance with the actor has made local playgoers familiar. It is not, however, the acting of these persons that gives "London" its weightiest claim to public attention. The scenery of the drama, concerning the excellence of which lively anticipation had been excited, is its most magnetic quality, and deserves all the praise that from the outset has been demanded for it. It was painted in London, and expressly for this play. The scenes are not meaningless combinations of canvas and bright colors, but truthful, substantial, and skillfully executed views of the English metropolis, all appropriate, too, to the tale the artists nightly unfold. London Bridge, with distant views of the Tower, is the opening picture. Temple Bar is next seen, and afterward reproductions of the Charing Cross Railway Depot, of the Old Bailey Criminal Court, and of London Docks, with a dozen other panoramic tableaux, are shown. Some of the pictures are flats, only lowered after the European fashion, which, we are happy to note, prevents a constantly-recurring exhibition of soldiers' arms and carpenters' shoulders; but a few are box sets of the most massive kind. The Charing Cross Railway Depot is one of the best of the latter, and has certainly never been surpassed in accuracy and effect, while the one representing the London Docks is superb on it, and for local fidelity, deceptive power and richness of coloring, is quite unequaled. It would be a not ungrateful task, in dealing with this piece, to trace the points of difference between the European methods of scenic art and those in use here, and no better opportunity to do so is likely to be offered in some time hence than is afforded by the brilliant work out of Messrs. LESLIE and CLARKE'S play at the house now under the management of Mr. C. W. TAYLEURE. The limits assigned to this article, however, forbid its prosecution; and meantime we can but suggest a visit to "London," which, we answer for it, will have entertaining and instructive results. The work is to be repeated each evening until further advices, also, we see, at a special Thanksgiving Day *matinée*.

Our Midland Counties.

If it has been a matter of surprise that so many of the great Midland Counties of New-York have remained for a whole generation since the introduction of railways in this State without proper facilities to trade and travel, it is gratifying to know that their wants are soon to be amply supplied. The fact is of almost, if not quite, equal importance to the City of New-York. These counties are among the richest and most productive, in point of agriculture and dairy produce, in the State. They are grazing counties as well, and it is safe to say that the direct and greatly-improved intercourse with our markets, which a railway of their own will soon secure, will add from twenty to twenty-five per cent. to the daily supplies of milk, butter, cheese, &c., now afforded by other lines of local traffic of this nature, and as the Harlem, Erie, and the New-Jersey roads now afford. Aside, therefore, from the consideration of a direct through route from the City of New-York to Lake Ontario, as Oswego and its lateral connections with Lake Erie, *via* Auburn, and with the St. Lawrence *via* Camden, in Oneida County, on the Ogdensburg Road, the New Midland Counties Railway is an enterprise of the very highest importance, as we believe it will prove one of profit, to the local and domestic interests and comfort of these counties themselves, and to the provision markets of this City.

The New-York and Oswego Midland Railway corporation, which has undertaken this good work, is as active as well as able concern, and its finances in point of Capital Stock paid up and faithfully applied to the building of the road, thus far, such as to make the foundation and credit of the 7 ₱ cent. Mortgage Bonds—Principal and interest made payable in Gold coin—of the most reliable character. The Bonds are on the market through the Bankers of the Company, Messrs. GEORGE OPDYKE & Co.; Mr. OPDYKE himself, and Messrs. A. A. LOW and DELOS DE WOLF being the Trustees. The local subscriptions have been contributed to the amount of $6,000,000 by the counties and towns through which the line passes, in the shape of 7 ₱ cent. Bonds, which, being made by the Legislature free of all taxation, have found ready sale without abatement at home.

A charter has been secured from New-Jersey so make the connection with this City direct, from Jersey City to Sterling, and thence through Warwick, Goshen and Middletown, in Orange County, to and through the County of Sullivan, (with a side branch to Ellenville, in Ulster County,) and thence through Delaware, Otsego, Chenango, Cortlandt, Onondaga, Cayuga, Madison, Oneida and Oswego.

The first mortgage is strictly limited by law to $20,000 per mile. The pamphlet and map furnished by the Bankers of the Company afford every information of the rapid progress of the work and its direction and local and through connections. In common with our neighbors of the City Press, we feel free to commend the success of the negotiation undertaken by Messrs. OPDYKE, as well as the score of what our merchants and property holders owe to themselves, in the way of promoting this object, to say nothing of their public spirit, as for the intrinsic soundness of the security.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP RUSSIA.

The Cunard steamship *Russia*, which left Liverpool, Nov. 3, and Queenstown, Nov. 7, passed this port yesterday. Her advices are given to the hour there by a bark by the City of London.

AFFAIRS IN FRANCE.

A Plot Against the Emperor's Life—The Ministerial Crisis—The Paris Elections—The Mexican Ex-Empress—Mr. Washburne's Salary.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Friday, Nov. 5.

The cable will have probably transmitted to New-York, ere this reaches you, the rumor of the discovery of a plot against the Emperor's life. When the Police get hold of anything that can be magnified into the semblance of a conspiracy, you may be sure that it loses nothing in the carriage, even though the distance be only from Compiègne to Paris. As the first account of the affair is that which has, no doubt, reached you, let me reduce it to its proper proportions by giving you the facts. In the first place, there is not the slightest evidence that there was anything of a plot in question, and I think it will be even difficult to make out that there was any design on the part of the individual arrested to harm His Majesty at all. The facts are simply these: About 9 o'clock in the evening a Zouave who was stationed as a sentry on the terrace of the gardens, detected a man stealing toward the palace under cover of the trees. He challenged him, and finding that he could not give the password, arrested him. On being questioned, he stated that his name was PHILIPPE, and that he had come from Compiègne to kill the Emperor. He allowed himself to be passively conducted to the Police Station, and, on being examined by the Inspector, his replies were found to be so incoherent that he was at once set down as insane. This impression was still further confirmed by the fact that he had neither arms nor papers of any kind on his person. On Monday he was subjected to another interrogatory by M. NEZ, the Procureur Imperial, and M. SCOTTEL, a Judge d'Instruction. Nothing has transpired regarding the result of this second examination, and the man still continues in prison. It is hardly to be supposed from what I have stated to you that anything can be made out of the affair to damage the political opponents of the Government. Even the "irreconcilables" would not be likely to resort to such clumsy means to accomplish their ends.

THE PARIS ELECTIONS.

We are passing through all the turmoil and excitement of another electioneering canvass, and that almost on the eve of the meeting of the Legislative Body, which takes place on the 29th of this month. In fact the second ballot, for there will unquestionably be one, will extend even beyond it. The Government is greatly blamed for this unfortunate arrangement, for nothing can be more ill-judged than to have the newly elected Deputies pass fresh from the excitement of the contest into the hall of the Legislature. It would seem almost as if it was courting a conflict. The thing, however, is fixed and cannot now be remedied. As to the candidates in the Paris circumscriptions a few details about them may be interesting to your readers. In the first circumscription only two candidates have as yet formally presented themselves, namely, M. HENRI ROCHEFORT, the editor of the *Lanterne*, and M. TERME, brother of the Government Deputy and editor of the *Peuple Francais*. ROCHEFORT is to be in town to-night to prosecute his canvass. There are two other candidates *in petto*—M. LAURIER, the advocate and great friend of M. GAMBETTA, and M. CANTAGREL, the socialist. The two latter have not as yet published their addresses. In the third circumscription the only candidates who have as yet put forth their professions of faith, are Dr. TONY MOILIN, the socialist, and M. DURIER, of the *Siècle*. These two, and M. LAFERRIERE, of the *Rappel*, are all pretty much of the same stripe. There is some talk of M. BRESSON, of the *Avenir National*, and M. POUYER QUERTIER, the protectionist, for the same circumscription. Delegates were sent to M. LEDRU ROLLIN, in London, to offer him the nomination, but he declined taking the qualifying oath. In the fourth circumscription the candidates are M. ALLOU, formerly *batonnier* of the order of advocates, a moderate Democrat; M. ARTHUR PICARD, brother of M. ERNEST PICARD; M. GLAIS-BIZOIN, the oratorical wasp of the Opposition; M. DE GASTE, an importation from Brest; M. HENRI DIDIER, formerly a representative of the people, and M. LOUIS SIMONIN, the lecturer, traveler and journalist, whose publications on the United States are imbued with the true Republican spirit. In the eighth circumscription the candidates, M. EMANUEL ARAGO, formery Commissary of the Republic at Lyons; M. HERALD, a member of the Council of State, but an earnest Liberal; M. LAVERTUJON, editor of the *Gironde*, one of the ablest of the Democratic organs in the south of France; M. GENT, formerly deported to Nodikstva, and M. LACHAUD, one of the ablest advocates of France, but supported by the Government.

THE EX-EMPRESS CHARLOTTE.

I find in one of the Brussels journals some interesting details regarding the condition of the unfortunate widow of the late Emperor MAXIMILIAN. She still resides at the chateau of Tervueren, and is closely watched in the long walks that she is in the habit of taking in the park, as she has several times endeavored to deceive the vigilance of her keepers. This constant supervision annoys her greatly, and she sometimes breaks out into violent fits of passion. She passes a considerable portion of her time in the telegraph office at Tervueren, and is continually sending telegrams to the various European Sovereigns to complain of the restraint in which she is kept. These dispatches are sent off in her presence to the Court at Brussels, and she will not quit the office until she receives the answer.

One of the most curious features of the mental condition of the unfortunate Princess is her peculiarity of refusing to sit down at table to take her meals. The officer on duty, who generally dines with her, is obliged to eat on the corner of the chimney-piece, and she herself will only eat from a dish when some one has tasted it in her presence. Her fixed idea is that people are always trying to poison her. She passes agitated nights, and it is only toward morning that she obtains a few hours peaceful sleep. But for the energy of her organization she would never be able to resist the fatigue consequent upon the feverish excitement under which she is always laboring.

MR. WASHBURNE'S SALARY.

I called upon the Minister this morning and found him very much annoyed at the statements which had found their way into the New-York journals regarding an alleged application that had been made by him to the State Department for an increase of salary. The report had got into some of the Paris newspapers, which, of course, did not contribute to mend the matter. Mr. WASHBURNE authorizes me to say that he never made any application for an addition to his salary nor did he desire to do so. The amount allowed him was sufficient for all his wants. What he did apply to the Department for, and this had no doubt given rise to the rumor in question, was a small addition to the sum allowed for office rent. The increase in the amount of business transacted at the Legation, and the insufficiency of the present office accommodation, justified him in asking the Department to grant it additional space. As the Legation was at a distance from his private residence, and personally he would not benefit by it more than any of the other gentlemen connected with the Embassy, he thought it rather hard that he should be accused of trying to advance his own interests, when in reality he was consulting only the public accommodation. I think it but due to Mr. WASHBURNE that I should forward you this explanation, although I see that you have in a measure anticipated it, by a statement of your own.

MR. WASHBURNE'S FIRST RECEPTION.

On Wednesday evening the Minister gave his first reception at his new residence in the Avenue de l'Imperatrice. There were no ladies present, Mrs. WASHBURNE being still indisposed. Among the principal guests on the occasion were Captain Worden, RAMEE, B. RUGGLES, JAMES PEABODY, Consul-General GODKIN, General BURNSIDE, Colonel FOSTER, Colonel DE HASS, &c., &c.

The mansion, which is inhabited exclusively by the Minister and his family, is spacious and pleasantly situated, being midway between the Arc de Triomphe and the entrance to the Bois de Boulogne. In Summer it is one of the most agreeable residences in the neighborhood of Paris.

MR. PEABODY.

An English Estimate of the Philanthropist's Worth.

From the London Times, Nov. 6.

The news of Mr. PEABODY'S death will be received with no common sorrow on both sides of the Atlantic. The sentiment of regret will not be a mere passing tribute of gratitude to the munificent benefactor. Mr. PEABODY, throughout the course of a long life, has been accumulating manifold titles to be lamented. He was an ardent patriot, who was loved abroad as much as at home. He was a New-Englander, who, when the South was bowed down to the dust, stepped forward with two millions of dollars and claimed the right to succor it. No courtier, he was honored by Sovereigns and Princes. He was profuse in his charity, but his charity has pauperised nobody. He was a philanthropist who was liked as well as honored. There was nothing hard or nothing narrow about Mr. PEABODY'S philanthropy. He simply did whatever good came in his way. Wherever an occasion presented itself for a generous and benevolent action, there was he found with purse in hand, eager to aid. When his adopted State of Maryland was in sore pecuniary straits he repaid it for having afforded him a home by negotiating a loan for it free of cost. When the American Department at the Great Exhibition was in danger of appearing on the day of opening a mere chaos of unassorted goods, his contribution of £3,000 was ready to save his countrymen from the mortification. When a faint hope awoke in America that survivors of Sir JOHN FRANKLIN'S expedition might be rescued, Mr. PEABODY'S subsidy consummated the generous enterprise of Mr. GRINNELL. His vast gifts of millions of dollars for various purposes from 1856 downward dazzled the world. It looked upon such generosity as a sort of sudden meteor. But a survey of Mr. PEABODY'S career shows that all this was but the natural crown and blossom of a life of consistent munificence.

It requires some remarkable qualities to create a gigantic fortune, but more remarkable qualities still are needed to know how to spend it. The two faculties are seldom found together. They were, however, combined in Mr. PEABODY. He was a keen and shrewd man of business, he made money energetically, and his tastes were too simple to expend it upon himself; but from an almost Puritan case shone forth the soul of an old Greek where any purpose of public munificence could be served. He was a discoverer, and of something a good deal more precious than the chilling Arctic deserts which his money helped to explore, and which bear his name. What he has discovered is a new motive for heaping together wealth—the pleasure of giving it away. But his liberality may be shown to have been always guided by certain very distinct principles. England and America contributed in almost equal proportions to his riches, and he acted as if he accounted himself simply a depositary and banker for both. Twenty years of absence never caused him to forget that he was American citizen; yet it is permissible to suspect that his feeling of duty and loyalty to his native country was not inconsistent with a warm love and attachment to his adopted home. In any case, an anxious desire to treat the good of each of the two nations as common ground for the charity of a citizen of either is a principle of unity which explains and binds together the infinitely various gifts of this generous life. He did not lay himself out for the gratitude of one or both countries by simply flooding them with money, but he took the best measures in his power to render the accumulation in his person of wealth derived from England and America a source of permanent benefit to each. If Mr. PEABODY had been almshouse or hospital endowed churches his title to national gratitude would meet with no general recognition. Persons who adopt this way of employing their fortunes have seldom the interest in the advancement of their country which deserves national gratitude. They find themselves in the possession of wealth which they cannot use on themselves. They must it, therefore, for public purposes; but it is almost an accident what particular purposes they select. Mr. PEABODY'S mode of disbursing his million or millions bears scrutiny for the reason that he did not become charitable because he had become rich, but that it may almost be said, he became rich in order that he might be charitable, and charitable in a fashion to benefit his native and adopted homes. That this was his single aim and desire appears as well in many other ways as particularly in his modestly delegating to strangers the choice of the objects which should receive the charity he had set apart for London. He was not actuated in this by indolence or the fear of responsibility. In America he had landmarks to guide him, and his American *gifts* were accordingly apportioned by himself to stated destinations. He was less clear as to the special needs of London, and he believed, as millionaires are not very apt at believing, that others might have a truer discernment. It marks a high grade in the scale of charity to give up the pleasure of being charitable after one's own taste.

If there had been nothing certain about Mr. PEABODY'S *gifts* to this country but the manifest affection which prompted them, there would be ample cause for regretting his death. But for the full measure of gratitude on account of munificence like his, not the motive alone for giving, but the manner, nor that only, but the nature of the gift, ought to bear the test of criticism. Mr. PEABODY'S London charities more than fulfill all three conditions. No higher motive could exist for the distribution of an enormous fortune than the desire to lighten for the branches of a great race by the consciousness of being the common objects of his noble generosity. The time—his own life—which he selected for the *gifts*, and his unselfish disclaimer of all power over their particular destination, enhance the feeling of obligation. But to make a benefactor's memory dear it is also necessary that the objects of his liberality should actually benefit by it. As for this, the machinery which Mr. PEABODY constructed for the application of his money was so happily constituted as to be fitted to turn it to the most advantageous account. Some benefactors have been supremely unfortunate in the uses to which their offerings have been diverted. Mr. WALKER, of Beverly notoriety, is not the first donor, and will not be the last, whose trust has been abused. But it was no mere fortunate accident which will have guaranteed the Peabody gift against becoming a perennial source of jobbery or pauperism. The donor's whole life was in evidence here—a life stamped with the characteristic of doing its own work—what one has to do. Above all, he was still living to point the example. His trustees were not likely to err, but if they had been he, living in their sight, was a constant reminder that the object of his charity was not to encourage dependance, but to help those who will help themselves. A quarter of a million sterling is no trivial present even to a city rich as London's wealthy as a community may be, its wealth is appropriated as strictly and inalienably as a workman's five-and-twenty shillings a week. There is seldom a margin of a hundred thousand pounds available for this or that philanthropic experiment. It is no light thing for a man who has heaped together a large estate to divest himself of it while still able to enjoy it. Age and the certainty—which is never felt as a certainty—that it and its owner must soon part company do not render it easier. The posthumous devotion of wealth to charitable uses is an elaborate device for keeping hold of it to the last and for remaining associated with it, but the world sees little connection between such bequests and the testator. Mr. GEORGE PEABODY, in abdicating all property in his riches while living, has made it impossible to dissociate his identity from them now that he is dead. Every fresh token of the utility of his benevolence must tend to excite affection for his memory.

AQUATICS.

Four-oared Race for the Championship of the World.

From the Pall Mall Gazette, Nov. 5.

The first of the great races between the picked men of London and Newcastle, the representative crews of the Thames and the Tyne, came off this afternoon over the champion course from Putney to Mortlake, and was witnessed by a large assemblage of spectators, although a pouring rain, which set in about noon, must have kept some hundreds away. Among the various incidents which have engrossed the aquatic mind, whether annual or otherwise, none have claimed a greater amount of public attention during the last thirty years than the ever-recurring feud between the North and the South country oarsmen, which had its rise in the dispute as to who could build the fastest boats, and culminated in the triumphs of the late ROBERT CHAMBERS over the Londoners on their own ground from 1838 to 1865, when HENRY KELLEY again wrested the championship honors from him. Twenty-seven years ago the North and South crews first met. Then the race was on the Tyne, when the brothers CLASPER and EDWARD HAWKES were beaten on their own river by ROBERT DOGGETT, ROBERT NEWELL and the BOURNEDRES. Since that time the rival schools have met repeatedly at regattas, and victory has more often decided for the North countrymen than their rivals, but never till now has a second *bona fide* race been arranged. The event we are now recording arose out of the late contest at the Thames regatta, which, after a splendid race for two and a half miles, the South countrymen won by a few feet. A desire was immediately expressed by the Newcastle men to meet them again, and sinking all those differences which have so long militated against the success of the Londoners, a four was got together worthy at the same time of the Thames and of their opponents, who on their part, have brought to London a magnificent crew, and rarely have two such fours been seen contending. The following are the names and weights of the respective sides:

THE THAMES CREW.

	st.	lb.
1. Joe Sadler, Putney	11	0
2. Henry Kelley, Fulham	10	12
3. W. Messenger, Teddington	11	7
(Stroke) Geo. Hammerton, Teddington	10	7
G. Hammerton, Jr., (coxswain,)	3	8

THE TYNE CREW.

	st.	lb.
1. Jas. Taylor, Ousoburn	10	0
2. Thos. Winship, Derwenthaugh	10	11
3. John Martin, Newcastle	11	9
(Stroke) Jas. Renforth, Gateshead	11	11
M. Hall, (coxswain,)	3	12

RESULT OF THE RACE.

The Tyne crew won by three lengths. The time as taken by chronograph was 20 minutes 43 seconds. The "return match" for a like sum will be rowed on Nov. 18 from High-level Bridge to Scotswood Suspension on the Tyne.

EARTHQUAKES.

Scene of the Late Phenomena in Germany—Account of the Shocks.

From the Pall Mall Gazette, Nov. 5.

The scene of the late earthquake in Germany extends from Gross-Gerau, between Darmstadt and Mayence, to Hennef on the north, Biebrich on the west, and Heilbronn and Stuttgart on the south. The strongest shocks were felt at Gross-Gerau and at Stuttgart. At the latter place they were preceded by intense cold, and followed by a sudden increase of temperature, with thick fogs. The earthquake was also felt at Wiesbaden, at Frankfort, and at Saarbrucken, where two very powerful shocks, lasting from eight to ten seconds each, occurred last Monday at 3:40 A. M. and 11:55 P. M. A letter from Giessen, dated the 1st inst., says that on the previous evening, about 6 o'clock, a swaying motion was perceived from east to west, and the shock was so severe that people rose from their chairs, and the pen fell out of the writer's hand. Accounts from Frankfort state that the earthquake was felt there at 11:45 P. M., on Sunday, and that it lasted ten minutes. Windows rattled, various articles of furniture were moved out of their places, the ceiling of a house fell in, and many of the inhabitants were so alarmed that they came out into the streets. At Gross-Gerau, which was the central point of the earthquake, nearly 200 shocks were felt between the 26th of October, and the 2d of November, during nearly the whole of which time incessant rumblings were heard. The first severe shock occurred on the 30th, at 8 o'clock P. M., and was followed by others at 11:30 P. M., and at 1 o'clock A. M., 12:15 P. M. and 3:45 P. M., on the 31st. At 5:20 on Sunday evening there was so violent a shock that several chimneys fell, lamps and bottles rolled over, and horses broke out of their stables. All these shocks were preceded by a noise like the roll of distant musketry; they came with a wave-like motion, going sometimes from north to south, but mostly from west to east.

LECTURES.

THE QUESTION OF TO-MORROW.

Lecture by Wendell Phillips at Steinway Hall—Woman's Rights, Labor, Temperance and the Purity of the Ballot Box.

Steinway Hall, Fourteenth-street, was comfortably filled last evening on the occasion of a lecture by WENDELL PHILLIPS, who took for his subject "The Question of To-morrow." The lecturer commenced by alluding to the custom hitherto adopted of speaking, only on certain subjects, on the Lyceum. Time was when the Lyceum found its choice of subjects, in literature, travels, biography and science. It undertook to paint in some great representative portrait symbolic of its epoch, to report the last invention or discovery, to bring to those who stayed at home the impressions of travel; but at present the Lyceum had undertaken the province of agitator, had undertaken to discuss the great civil and political questions of the day; to teach civil duty, and to open the great questions of public interest, to which latter development he attached the most interest. He had grown to be a man, had gone through the University and been admitted to the Bar, and had studied *Webster* by heart before receiving his first lesson in the essential character of Government under which he was born, and that he got in the streets. Thirty-four years ago, while in Boston, he was attracted by a noisy crowd, whom he observed dragging a man by a chord round his waist. A mob of 3,000 gentlemen in broadcloth were there assembled. The Mayor of the City entreated them to desist, beseeched the crowd of fashionable gentlemen to respect the law, but they set his authority at defiance, derisively laughed at his supplications; and though he descended lower and lower with his appeals to the mercy of the mob, they scoffed at his remarks and finally heeded them not. Mr. PHILLIPS was then fresh from the study of constitutional law, anxious for the technical rights of the individual subject; his soul kindled with constitutional indignation, although he was no Abolitionist, and being a commissioned officer, and then in company with the Colonel of his regiment, he asked his superior officer why the Mayor did not call the soldiery out and clear the streets in ten minutes. The Colonel answered, "Don't you see that the regiment is in that mob: there are the men to bear your muskets," and then for the first time it flashed through his mind that the statutes were made in the streets, and that in a critical combat, law consisted of the force of the mob; that the safety of life was in the keeping of the streets. In 1861 he saw another scene. The Anti-Slavery Society held a meeting at Tremont Temple, Boston, but it was dispersed by a mob of the city who were headed by the Mayor. The Legislature was appealed to for protection, and the Capitol was about being given as a refuge from the mob, when the Governor of Boston sent word privately to the Senate "Don't you open your doors to the Anti-Slavery Society; I have not the means of protecting the Senate Chamber from the mobs of the city." The law of the country was defied; it was in the hands of the masses. Time and again he stood in this City when the representatives of rowdyism and disorder were assembled; behind them stood G. W. MATSELL, Chief of Police, who was only like a spaniel before the mass. In thirty years he learned the lesson that God gave what was worked for and earned; he gave intelligence to the people, the guarantee of life, the shield of the freedom of speech. In ordinary times any vessel could float, but in weather, when the storm made ocean his heaven, it required a sagacious pilot at the helm. It was the storm that strained the institutions of the country, and told where the real power lay. There were certain great questions looming over the horizon, and even commanding admission into the great tribunal of political discussion; and he brought his audience back to old associations in order that he might turn round the standpoint from which he was going to look at those questions, with all possible light. To every thoughtful man it was quite apparent that, so far as cities were concerned, the experiment of self-government was a failure. Time was when San Francisco looked agast at its Judicial Bench, which was full of thieves, and its Police, which was recruited from the criminal classes; but in self-defence San Francisco fell back on the primal rights of humanity, dashed to pieces the machinery of recognized civil government, and reconstituted the State. New-Orleans and Baltimore did the same, and the only reason why Boston had not done it was because it was a contented vassal of that power, and must even the purpose of resistance, and if G. W. CURTIS be true, the New-York Bench was only a sham to represent civil government. In fact, the commercial metropolis of the Union had nothing to rely upon in any great issue. In constituting the London Police, Sir ROBERT PEEL took a picture from the chapter of Rapparees, and laid down stated rules; he would rather be the subject of a despot, able to know what he should do, than a citizen of Boston who did not know until he had tried it, what he could say, and how far he would be permitted to go without being told by a reeling mob what his rights were. He would rather hold his rights at the admitted decrees and well-stated limitations of acknowledged monarchy, then at the caprice of a mob. The first great requisite in a good Government was temperance in the people. America was peopled by persons of different Nationalities—Teutons, Saxons, &c., each of whom had its own weakness. Running his eye centuries back, he found the Musselman made his heaven out of the sun, beauty of women, &c. Looking at Saxon history, he found that race rough, victorious soldiers, drinking to intoxication. The Saxon heaven was revel and as that blood was traced down through centuries, it was all in the same dominant drinking spirit. Intoxication was a weakness to which people of tropical climates were liable. The lecturer continued at some length to give his reasons for the great spread and extent of intoxication among the masses, attributing it to the value placed on labor, the ballot box and sciences, which held out means at half price. $200,000,000 were devoted in the City to the manufacture of intoxicating drinks. In Boston there were 3,000 drinking places which commanded 5,000 votes—sufficient to sway the balance of power; and those whom they elected in the Legislature could influence the votes of the whole. On an Englishman's visit to this country the schools were shown him, but those schools were ultimately useless, inasmuch as their good effects were counterbalanced by the prevalence of intoxication, which was encouraged by the licensing of public houses. In Boston every tenth man was arrested, and every seventh man held. [Laughter.] Boston would be richer if a million dollars were thrown into the sea and the licensed houses shut up, or if the schools were closed and all licenses stopped. A universal-suffrage ballot box could not be trusted to a drunken people, and there was a remedy for this by shutting the door of the public house. On the question of labor he was an advocate of eight hours work, eight hours sleep and eight hours for the soul, and if those last eight hours were properly employed there would be every possibility of self-government. He next referred to the woman question, which was considered by some people in the same light as the young gentleman did, who, on dying, left his wife's dowry of $50,000 to her, provided she did not marry. If sixty women sat in the Legislature with sixty men, the will of that generous young gentleman would not have been held valid. In society men acted more properly than in a political room, and as women were the leaders of society, their introduction into the Legislature would be the means of causing men to have more self-respect. Two and a half centuries ago there was no society, and books written then would not be read by ladies of the present day; how different from the works of DICKENS, THACKERAY and writers, at a time when society exists. The introduction of woman into the Legislature would not be the means of dragging her down, but another element would be introduced—two such classes brought into natural relations act and react so as to raise each other. He did not want woman in politics because she brought an angel there, but he wanted her because she brought the elements of all that had made literature what it was, art and society what they were. He instanced the case of a Southern gentleman engaged in the "late unpleasantness" [laughter] whose thoughts were elevated by the advice of his little daughter, and suggested that everything be done to guard properly using the ballot. He casually referred to the great conflict in the West between the Chinese and Europeans, and said that before twenty years would have elapsed they would see more mobs than he had. The conflict was going to be an angry one—almost doubtful. Women stand ready! Clean out all the defects in machinery; "plant the ballot box on sobriety; summon woman to your side; reconcile labor, and then let the frigate float out, and God defend the right."

Mr. PHILLIPS concluded his address amid loud applause.

IRISH HEROES.

John Mitchel's Lecture—A Sketch of the Public Careers of Henry Grattan and Smith O'Brien.

The large hall of the Cooper Insititute was literally crammed last evening on the occasion of JOHN MITCHEL'S lecture on HENRY GRATTAN and SMITH O'BRIEN, for the benefit of the widow of LARKIN, one of the Fenians who was hanged at Manchester. The stage was occupied by many prominent Irish gentlemen and ladies, and Mayor HALL was Chairman. Mr. MITCHEL in his lecture reviewed the glorious, though unhappy political career of HENRY GRATTAN, and dwelt with admiration upon the undaunted manner in which the patriotic statesman opposed CASTLEREAGH and the corrupt members of the Irish Parliament in the struggle preceding the Union, clearly defining the stand taken by that illustrious man during the political war waged at that time. Mr. MITCHEL pointed out the dangers his course led him into and the moral courage and pure patriotism he displayed throughout the whole. From the Union until the day GRATTAN'S body was laid in Westminster Abbey Mr. MITCHEL followed his career, pointing out the many disappointments he experienced and the too brief gleam of sunshine which lit up the last few days of his life until he died in 1820. Coming down to the time of SMITH O'BRIEN, the leader of the young Ireland party in 1848, the lecturer spoke with fervor his views of this gentleman. Intimately acquainted with Mr. O'BRIEN as he was, Mr. MITCHEL gave in detail the history of the man from boyhood until death with thrilling accuracy. Comparing him with HENRY GRATTAN, he said that although very much unlike in many respects, yet the characters and public lives of these men were somewhat similar. Both were Protestants, patriots and statesmen, struggling for the independence of Ireland, and both devoted their best energies to the cause. But though death came to cut short the hopes of both, GRATTAN died with hope still living in his heart, while SMITH O'BRIEN'S last breath was drawn when the dark clouds of adversity were thickening over his unfortunate country, a broken-hearted man. With the assurance that better days are in store for his country, the lecturer concluded amid rapturous applause.

RICHARD O'GORMAN then moved that a vote of thanks be tendered to Mr. MITCHEL, which was carried with three cheers, which were given lustily by the audience.

JOHN MARTIN, another of the exiles of 1848, and also a Fenian sympathiser, who has but just arrived in this country from Ireland, was introduced by Mayor HALL. He was received with prolonged cheers of welcome, alluding to which pleasantly, he said that he had listened with pleasure to his old and esteemed friends's lecture. The two men, he continued, GRATTAN and O'BRIEN, I have come to as models, and have endeavored to follow in their footsteps in my own humble way. Independence, freedom for Ireland have been the great aim and desire of my life, and their attainment, in common with Mr. MITCHEL, I have labored and longed for. But mark me in defining my position to you as his, our first meeting, I would add, that I have always hoped and striven for this liberty in a peaceful manner, believing it to be the best means of obtaining it. Yet will I say that if as a last resort it should become necessary to wade to freedom through a sea of blood—mind you, as a last resort—I would do it. But peacefully, if we can, let us work for it. Although this proposition did not seem to please the majority of his auditors, still they welcomed the speaker heartily. At the conclusion of his remarks, the meeting closed.

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BACON—CLARK.—On Tuesday evening, Nov. 9, at Memorial-av. Presbyterian Church, by Rev. Alexander Mc-Clit, WILLIAM H. BACON to LOUISA, eldest daughter of the late Richard Inness Clark, Esq., of New-York.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The salesroom yesterday presented quite a brisk appearance. The attendance was one of the largest obtained this season, and composed of a class of persons who will compare favorably with those of last Fall, when the real estate excitement was at its height and buyers were plenty. The great feature was the sale of Brooklyn property by Messrs. JOHNSON & MILLER. The sale advertised by Messrs. MILLER, WILKINS & Co. was adjourned.

To-day but one sale will be made, consisting of thirty-five acres of land, with the improvements, situated on the west side of Central Park-avenue, and on both sides of the road leading from Kingsbridge to Woodlawn Depot, Harlem Railroad, being three-quarters of a mile from Woodlawn Depot, two miles from Fordham Depot, Harlem Railroad; two miles from Riverdale Depot, Hudson River Railroad, and two miles from City of New-York at Kingsbridge, having a frontage on Central-avenue of 1,448 feet, and a frontage of 1,421 feet on both sides of the Kingsbridge road. Most of the ground is high, overlooking the surrounding country, with full view of the Harlem River, Palisades and Washington Heights. The property will be sold in three parcels. Terms of sale: Ten per cent. and auctioneers' fees on day of sale; sixty per cent. can remain on bond and mortgage one, three or five years; balance on Thursday, Dec. 16, 1869. Maps may be had at the auctioneers' office, No. 28 Pine-street.

But little property is ever offered on the day immediately preceding a holiday, and the above is the only sale announced for to-day. The coming week offers several attractions, particulars of which may be found in our advertising columns.

Auction Sales Yesterday.

BROOKLYN.

By Johnson & Miller.

5 lots s. s. Saratoga-av., corner Halsey-st., each 20x100..... $1,750
4 lots adjoining above, on Saratoga-av., same size..... 1,700
5 lots s. s. Halsey-st., 100 ft. e. of Saratoga-av., same size, 20x100..... 1,600
5 lots adjoining above, same size..... 1,700
5 lots adjoining..... $820,000
5 lots adjoining..... 1,650
5 lots adjoining..... 1,650
5 lots adjoining..... 1,625
5 lots, w. s. Howard-st., corner Bainbridge-st., each, 20x100..... 1,500
2 lots adjoining, on Howard-st., same size..... 1,500
5 lots s. s. Howard-st., corner Bainbridge-st., each 20x100..... 1,500
5 lots adjoining, same size..... 1,450
5 lots adjoining, same size..... 1,650
4 lots n. s. Schaffer-st., 95 ft. w. of Bushwick-av., each 20x100..... 1,000
4 lots s. s. Chauncey-st., 382 ft. e. of Hopkinson-av., each 20x100..... 1,000
4 lots adjoining..... 1,380
6 lots adjoining..... 1,040
4 lots adjoining.....

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Grove-st., n. s., 100.1 ft. w. of Bleecker-st., h. and l., 26x99.11x26.8x90.11..... $5,175
Same property..... 9,620
Lewis-st., No. 227, 18.3x82.11x18.3x80.7..... 7,500
Lawrence-st., No. 42, 23x100..... 20,000
11th-st., n. s., 369 ft. w. of Avenue A, 25x94.8..... 18,250
12th-st., n. s., 150 ft. e. of 10th-av., 50x103.1..... 31,000
12th-st., n. s., 350 ft. e. of 2d-av., h. and l., 22x103.3 22,700
12th-st., n. s., 393 ft. e. of Avenue A, 47.6x102..... 8,500
17th-st., n. s., 332 ft. e. of 6th-av., h. and l., 50x¼
25th-st., s. s., 275 ft. w. of 6th-av., h. and l., 12.6x block..... 40,900
30th-st., s. s., 262.6 ft. w. of 9th-av., h. and l., 12.6x 98.9..... 20,000
32d-st., s. s., 283.4 ft. e. of 9th-av., 16.8x98.9, h. and l..... 12,000
36th-st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of 10th-av., 75x98.9..... 8,850
Same by other grantors..... 7,500
51st-st., n. s., 475 ft. e. of 12th-av., 25x100.5..... 3,150
52d-st., n. s., 240 ft. e. of 3d-av., h. and l., 20x90..... 15,000
54th-st., n. s., 70 ft. w. of Lexington-av., 20x100.5. 21,000
73d-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 2d-av., 25x102.2..... 2,100
97th-st., n. s., 231.6 ft. e. of 1st-av., 37.6x100.5..... 4,124
109th-st., n. s., 300 ft. e. of 11th-av., 50x100.10..... 4,000
111th-st., n. s., 250 ft. w. of 3d-av., 24x100.10..... 14,000
115th-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 3d-av., 20x100.10..... 5,000
116th-st., n. s., 146 ft. e. of 2d-av., 20x100.11..... 3,300
Lexington-av., w. s., 60.3 ft. n. of 62d-st., 24x73..... 23,000
Madison-av., w. s., 62.6 ft. n. of 55th-st., 50x25..... nom.
Madison-av., w. s., 125.6 ft. s. of 50th-st., 20x56.3..... 15,000
2d-av., e. s., 104.7 ft. n. of 86th-st., 20.10x70..... 16,500
3d-av., w. s., 50.5 ft. n. of 105th-st., 50x100..... 12,000
3d-av., w. s., 24.9 ft. n. of 36th-st., 24.8x100..... 15,000
10th-av., w. s., 24.9 ft. n. of 36th-st., 24.8x100.....

Leases Recorded.

Broadway, Nos. 1,140 and 1,142, 21½ years, per year..... 7,500
26th-st., No. 1, west of 7th-av., 20x98..... 8,000
Greenwich-st., No. 503, 5 years, per year..... 504
Lindlow-st., No. 183, 4 years, per year..... 2,500
Union-square, No. 37, 3 years, per year..... 750
18th-st., No. 440, West, 7 years, per year..... 846
9th-av. and 58th-st., n. e. cor., 20½ years, per year.....

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

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Columbia-st., s. s., 25.6 ft. s. w. of Middagh-st., 25.3x40, January, 1869..... 4,250
Columbia-st., s. s., 25.6 ft. s. w. of Middagh-st., h. and l., 12.7x40, October, 1869..... 8,000
Columbia-st., s. s., 38.1 ft. s. w. of Middagh-st., h. and l., 12.7x40, October, 1869..... 8,000
Grand-st., n. s., 125 ft. e. of Olive-st., 25x100..... 6,000
Herkimer-st., n. s., 300 ft. e. of Albany-av., 100x 100..... 6,000
Magnolia-st., n. w. s., 255.5 ft. n. e. of Bushwick-av., 100x183.10x—x200..... 4,200
Pierrepont-st., s. s., 80.1 ft. w. of Fulton-st., 25x 100..... 18,000
Quincy-st. and Throop-av., northerly corner, 20 x80..... 4,500
Stockholm-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of Central-av., 25x 100..... 550
Tiffany-place, e. s., 134.6 ft. s. of Harrison-st., 25x 97.6..... 500
West-st., e. s., 250 ft. n. of Broadway, 50x100..... 1,500
Proposed ..... and Franklin-av., southerly corner, 12x—, to New-Utrecht Bay, —x—x—..... 9,100
Same streets, northerly corner, 123.6x350x125.3 x350..... 10,000
Wyckoff-st., n. s., 235 ft. of Carlton-av., 20x131.... 6,000
South 8th-st., n. s., 41 ft. e. of 8th-st., 20x100.... 4,500
North 8th-st., n. s., 125.6 ft. e. of 7th-st., h. and l., 100.2
South 9th-st., n. s., 125 ft. e. of 7th-st., h. and l., 100.2 x 25.6x125.6x19..... 10,000
North 9th-st., s. w. s., 200 ft. n. w. of 5th-st., 20x100 9th-st., n. s., 125.9 ft. w. of 5th-av., 25.6x100..... 5,000
Bushwick-av. and Magnolia-st., n. corner, 255.6 x100..... 8,500
Cypress-av., w. s., 50 ft. n. of Grove-st., 100x145.9 x25.4x100x75x50..... 1,175
Foster-av., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 22d-st., 20x100..... 600
Marcy-av. s. w. s., 30 ft. n. w. of Lynch-st., h. and l., 20x70..... 6,000
New-Utrecht to Fort Hamilton highway, n. e.s., adjoining late James De Nyse, 32 acres 2 perches..... 1,184
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Summit-av., w. s., corner of Sherman-place, 98x 122..... 5,000
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Lot No. 10, block No. 5, Bramhall's map..... 1,000
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FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS THREE-STORY brown-stone house, West 48th-st., in fine order. Particulars of owner, at G. E. HUGHES & CO.'S, No. 200 Church-st. No agents.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

A FAMILY OF THREE ADULTS, a good housekeepers, living in the country, and wishing to spend the Winter in the City, would take charge of a gentleman's house for five or six months, during the absence of the owner; references exchanged. Address R. F., Manhasset, Queens County, N. Y.

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FOR SALE—AT FLUSHING, L. I., A large house with all the modern improvements, in complete order, with gas, furnace, trellises and cutting; the grounds are tastefully arranged with fine buildings, and will be sold with large trees and extensive gardens. Will be sold with one acre of land, or more, from one-quarter of a mile from the depot. Address

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No. 118 Wall-st., New-York.

ORANGE, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SITES and farms, a great variety, beautifully situated one hour from N. Y., for sale low. Also, country seats and houses to let for the season, or year, by BLACKWELL & SMITH, 242 Broadway, N. Y., 9 to 11 A. M.; Orange, corner Main and Cone sts., 1 to 3 P. M.

BROOKLYN REAL ESTATE.

CAPITALISTS ARE REQUESTED to read the auction advertisement of the great sale of Twenty-first Ward, Brooklyn, lots, to be made by JOHNSON & MILLER, at Exchange Salesroom, on TUESDAY, Nov. 16. Every lot offered will positively be sold to the highest bidder.

DWELLINGS TO LET.

TO LET,

A fine four-story English basement house in 23d-st., between 3d and 2d avs. All improvements.

A three-story brick dwelling in 77th-st., between 2d and 3d avs., in perfect order. All improvements.

A three-story brown-stone house in 78th-st., between 3d and 4th avs., in perfect order.

KILPATRICK & HOLMES, No. 46 East 23d-st.

TO LET—IN BROOKLYN, FURNISHED, A three-story, high-stoop brick house, well located; No. 6 Hanson-place, fifth house from Elliott-place. Rent $125 per month.

TO LET—THE COTTAGE NO. 101 LEXINGTON-av. Apply at No. 149 East 27th-st. or No. 192 Broadway, from 11 A. M. to 12 M. of PETER A. H. JACKSON.

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TO LET OR FOR SALE—HOUSE AND lot No. 15 West 20th-st., 28x100; doctor's office reserved if let. Apply on premises.

FOR RENT—A FIRST-CLASS COMPLETELY-furnished house in 45th-st., between 5th and 6th avs. Apply to JAS. H. BENEDICT, No. 94 Broadway.

STORES, &C., TO LET.

OFFICE TO LET.—TWO FRONT ROOMS on the second floor of No. 2 New Chambers-st. Inquireon the premises of LEXOW & VOIGT, or of W. L. CONKLIN, No. 18 4th-av.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

O. H. PIERSON, Auctioneer.

BY A. D. MELLICK, JR., & BRO., Auctioneers and Dealers in New-Jersey Real Estate, No. 6 Pine-st., New-York:

150 VILLA PLOTS AT AUCTION,

AT WESTFIELD, N. J.,

On TUESDAY, Nov. 23, at 12½ P. M., on the Premises.

These plots are well located on an elevation commanding extensive views, are within five minutes' walk of the station, and in the midst of fine improvements.

Westfield is situated on the Central Railroad of New-Jersey, fifty-seven minutes from the New-York side of the River, and has 2,000 inhabitants, rapidly increasing.

Terms will be liberal.

Special train, from the foot of Liberty-st., at 11 A. M. Collation before the sale.

Maps and passes at the office of

A. D. MELLICK, JR., & BRO.,
No. 6 Pine-st.

Brevet Major-General, Chief Ordnance.

SUPREME COURT—COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.—EDWARD HORGAN and others against HICKSON ..... FIELD and others.—City and County of New-York, ss.—In pursuance of a decretal order of judgment made in this action, bearing date the 16th day of October, in the year 1869, will be sold at public auction, at the Merchants' Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, under the direction of the subscriber, Edmund Randolph Robinson, referee, by E. H. Ludlow & Co., auctioneers, on the 16th day of December, A. D. 1869, at 12 o'clock at noon that day, the property described as follows: All those certain lots, pieces, or parcels of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, known as the "New-York Hotel," situate, lying and being in the Fifteenth Ward of the City of New-York, and which are bounded and described as follows, that is to say: Beginning at the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly line of Broadway with the northerly line of Washington-place, and running thence northerly along the westerly line of Broadway one hundred and eighty-four feet by line of Broadway one hundred and eighty-four feet; thence westerly and parallel with Washington-place one hundred and seven feet; thence southerly and parallel with Broadway one hundred and eighty-four feet to the southerly line of Waverley-place; thence easterly along the southerly line of Waverley-place one hundred and seven inches to the easterly line of Mercer-street; thence northerly along the easterly line of Mercer-street ninety-one feet and seven inches to land now or late belonging to James I. Jones; thence easterly along the northerly line of said land now or late belonging to James I. Jones and parallel with Washington-street ninety-one feet to the northerly line of Washington-place; thence easterly along said northerly line of Washington-place one hundred and forty-eight feet to the place of beginning; be the said several distances and dimensions more or less, together with all and singular, the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining.

Dated New-York, Oct. 28, 1869.

EDMUND RANDOLPH ROBINSON,
Referee, No. 60 Wall-st.

EVARTS, SOUTHMAID & CHOATE,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys, No. 52 Wall-st.

ELEGANT BROWN-STONE HOUSE ON 87TH-ST.—A. J. BLEECKER & SON & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Nov. 23, 1869, at 12 M., at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway; also, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway; also, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway; also,

SHIPPING.

CUNARD LINE.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

Nemesis.....Wednesday, Nov. 10 | Tripoli, Thursday, Dec. 2
Malta.....Saturday, Nov. 13 | Hibernia, Saturday, Dec. 4
Russia, Wednesday, Nov. 24 | Tripoli, Thursday, Dec. 9
Tarifa, Thursday, Nov. 25 | Cuba, Wednesday, Dec. 15
Samaria, Wednesday, Dec. 1 | Palmyra, Thursd'y, Dec. 16

RATES OF PASSAGE.

By the Wednesday steamers, not carrying steerage.
First Cabin....$140, gold. | Second Cabin....$80, gold.
First Cabin, to Paris.....$165, gold. | Second Cabin, to Paris.....$145, gold.

By the Thursday Steamers.
First Cabin....$80, gold. | Steerage....$30, currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.

Through bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp and other ports on the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.

For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's Office, No. 4 Bowling-green.

For steerage passage at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building.

CHAS. G. FRANKLYN, Agent.

Steamer of Nov. 17 will not carry passengers.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LONDONDERRY.

THE ANCHOR LINE,

Favorite Clyde-built passenger Steamers, are intended to sail as follows:

IOWA.....Nov. 20 | EUROPA.....Dec. 11
CALEDONIA.....Nov. 27 | INDIA.....Dec. 18
COLUMBIA.....Dec. 4 | CAMBRIA.....Dec. 25

and each SATURDAY thereafter, from Pier No. 20 North River, at 3 o'clock, noon.

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.

Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $90 and $75.
Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $160.
Steerage, to Glasgow or Derry, $30; intermediate, $35.
Prepaid Certificates from these ports, $30.
Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates.
Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.

For further information apply on the steamers, foot of Dey-st., or at the Company's offices, No. 7 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

LAFAYETTE.....BOUSSAN..SATURDAY, Nov. 27
PEREIRE.....DUCHESNE..SATURDAY, Dec. 11
VILLE DE PARIS.SURMONT..SATURDAY, Dec. 25

Rates of passage payable in gold, (including wine.)
TO BREST OR HAVRE, First cabin, $140; second cabin, $75.
TO PARIS, including railway ticket, $145 and $78.
These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both the transit by English railways and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.

GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.

—Inman Line of Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF LONDON.....Saturday, Nov. 20, 1 P. M.
CITY OF WASHINGTON.Saturday, Nov. 27, 12 M.
CITY OF BROOKLYN....Saturday, Nov. 13, 1 P. M.
CITY OF NEW-YORK, (via Halifax).....Tuesday, Nov. 30, 1 P. M.
CITY OF BRUSSELS.....Saturday, Dec. 4, 1 P. M.

And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE

BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.

PAYABLE IN GOLD.		PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
First Cabin.....	$100	Steerage.....	$35
To London.....	105	To London.....	40
To Paris.....	140	To Paris.....	75

PASSAGE BY THE TUESDAY STEAMER, VIA HALIFAX.

FIRST CABIN. PAYABLE IN GOLD.		STEERAGE. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
Liverpool.....	$80	Liverpool.....	$30
Halifax.....	20	Halifax.....	15
St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer.....	45	St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer.....	30

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.

Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.

For further information apply at the Company's Office. JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

Steamer of Nov. 17 will not carry passengers.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.

CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.

From Pier No. 46 North River. WEDNESDAY.

NEBRASKA, 3,392 tons.....Nov. 17, at 2½ P. M.
MANHATTAN, 2,643 tons.....Nov. 24, at 9½ A.M.
IDAHO, 4,135 tons.....Dec. 1, at 2 P. M.
MINNESOTA, 2,965 tons.....Dec. 8, at 9 A. M.
NEVADA, 3,125 tons.....Dec. 15, at 2 P. M.
COLORADO, 4,213 tons.....Dec. 22, at 8½ A. M.

CABIN PASSAGE.....(Gold).....$80.
STEERAGE.....(Currency)..$30.

Saloon and State Rooms all on Deck.
Steerage Passage Offices, No. 29 Broadway.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 63 Wall-st.

NATIONAL LINE.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN, From Pier No. 47 North River.

HELVETIA, THOMSON, Saturday, Nov. 20, at 2 P. M.
ENGLAND, THOMPSON, Saturday, Nov. 27, at 10 A.M.

Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and $80; Steerage, $30—currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $37, currency.

Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.

P. W. J. HURST, Manager.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S

THROUGH LINE TO

CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.

FREIGHT AND PASSAGE GREATLY REDUCED.

Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:

First Class.	Steerage.
$140 to $180.	$65.

according to location of berth.

These rates include berths, board and all necessaries for the trip.

Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,

ON 5TH AND 21ST OF EACH MONTH,

except when these days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

One hundred pounds of baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.

NOV. 20—ALASKA, Captain GRAY, connecting with CONSTITUTION, Captain ——.

Steamer JAPAN will leave San Francisco Dec. 1 for China and Japan.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

For reduced rates of freight apply on wharf. Freight for steamer ALASKA received until 4 P. M., FRIDAY Nov. 19. All usual facilities afforded shippers in collecting inland charges, &c.

For freight or passage tickets, and all further information, apply at the Company's ticket office, on the wharf foot of Canal-st. F. R. BABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:

SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. TINKLEPAUGH, Nov. 23.
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. SLASUM, Dec. 23.
MERRIMACK, Capt. WIER, Jan. 23.

These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent, No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.

EAGLE WING.....Nov. 18
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS.....Nov. 25
COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE, via Nassau..Dec. 2

For freight or passage apply to
S. G. WHEELER, Jr., President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

HAVANA. SISAL AND VERA CRUZ.

New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line, from Pier No. 17 East River, at 3 P. M.

The splendid new steamer
CITY OF MEXICO, Capt. PEAKES, Saturday, Dec. 4.
CLIMAX, Capt. PHILLIPS, Friday, Dec. 24.
For freight or passage apply to
F. ALEXANDRE & SONS. No. 23 Broadway.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.

CARRYING THE ROYAL MAILS.

Atlantic Mail S. S. Co.'s steamer COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE, THURSDAY, Dec. 2, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River.

For freight or passage apply to
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GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE BY STEAMERS AND CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA.

GREAT REDUCTION IN PASSENGER RATES TO ALL POINTS IN THE INTERIOR.

FOUR STEAMERS A WEEK,

TUESDAY,
THURSDAY
AND SATURDAY,

THE STEAMSHIPS

GENERAL BARNES, Captain MALLORY, THURSDAY, Nov. 18, from Pier No. 36 North River, at 3 P. M.

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, No. 88 Liberty-st.

SAN JACINTO, Captain ATKINS, SATURDAY, Nov. 20, from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent, No. 5 Bowling-green.

HUNTSVILLE, Captain CROWELL, SATURDAY, Nov. 20, from Pier No. 12 North River, at 3 P. M.

JAMES E. DOWDEN, Agent, No. 93 West-st.

VIRGO, Captain BULKLEY, TUESDAY, Nov. 23, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.

MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents, Nos. 61 and 62 South-st.

FOR MOBILE

VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.

THE FLORIDA RAILROAD COMPANY WILL DISPATCH THE FIRST-CLASS STEAMSHIP ALABAMA, Captain EMERSON TURNER,

On SATURDAY, Nov. 20, from Pier No. 29 North River, at 3 P. M. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile.

Is now receiving. Has elegant passenger accommodations.

Insurance guaranteed at one and a half per cent. to Mobile.

Through Rates and Bills Lading given to Selma, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at LOWER RATES than any other line.

For Freight or Passage apply to
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FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

THE CROMWELL LINE.

The steamships of this line will leave Pier No. 9 North River, at 3 o'clock P. M., as follows:

MARY POWELL.....SATURDAY, Nov. 20
GEO. CROMWELL, Cliff.....SATURDAY, Nov. 27

Freight taken for St. Louis, Mobile and Galveston, at through rates. For passage (first and second class) or freight, apply to

E. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 56 West-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.,

DIRECT.

REGULAR LINE.

The steamship MAGNOLIA, Capt. [illegible], master, will sail THURSDAY, Nov. 18, at 3 P. M., from Pier [illegible], North River.

Through Bills of lading to all points in Southern States.

For freight or passage apply to
WM. P. CLYDE & CO., No. 5 Bowling-green.

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Persons of economy going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave Paris without one; their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage; in securing the best accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition, and an infinity of annoyances to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIERS' SOCIETY, No. 1 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU. United States passports indispensable to travelers, issued by J. B. NONES, Passport Agent, 293 Broadway.

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK AND PHILADELPHIA RAILROAD.

FROM NEW JERSEY RAILROAD DEPOT, Foot of Cortlandt-st.

Change of hours, 15th November, 1869.

For West Philadelphia, 8:30 and 10 A. M.; 12:30, 5, 6 and 9 P. M. 12 night.

For Philadelphia via Camden, 1 and 4 P. M.

THROUGH TRAINS.

8:40 A. M., Express for Baltimore and Washington; for the West via Baltimore, and for the South via Baltimore and via Washington, with Drawing-room Car attached.

8:50 A. M., Express for Pittsburg and the West, with Silver Palace Cars, through to Cincinnati.

12:30 Noon, Express for Baltimore and Washington, and for the West via Baltimore, with Drawing-room Car attached.

5 P. M., Daily Express for Pittsburg and the West, with Silver Palace Cars, through to Cincinnati and Chicago. These cars run daily, except Saturdays.

6 P. M., Express for Pittsburg and the West with through cars to Altoona.

9 P. M., Daily Express for Pittsburg and the West, with Silver Palace Cars, through to Louisville, daily, and to Chicago daily. Through Silver Palace Cars for Cincinnati are attached to this train on Saturdays.

9:20 P. M., Daily Express for Baltimore and Washington, with Reclining-Chair Car and Sleeping Car attached.

12 Night Mail, for Pittsburg and the West, with Reclining-Chair Cars attached, for Philadelphia.

FOR NEWARK (Market-street Station).

6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8:10, 9, 10:10, 11 and 11:40 A. M.; 12 M., 1, 2, 3, 3:30, 4:10, 4:30, 5:10, 5:30, 6:40, 8, 8:10, 9:20, 7, 8:20, 9, 10 and 11:20 P. M.; 12 Night.

FOR ELIZABETH.

6, 6:30, 7, 8:10, 10:10, 11:40 A. M.; 12 Noon; 1, 2, 3, 3:30, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:20, 7, 8:20, 9 and 10 P. M.; 12 Night.

Tickets for sale at New-Jersey Railroad ticket offices, foot of Cortlandt-st., and in depot, Jersey City.

F. W. RANKIN, Gen'l Pass. Agent. F. W. JACKSON, Genl. Superintendent.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

Trains leave 20th-st. as follows:

8:00 A. M., Cincinnati and Chicago express, drawing-room cars attached.

10:00 A. M., special drawing-room car express for Rochester.

10:20 A. M., day express, drawing-room cars attached.

4:00 P. M., Montreal express, drawing-room cars attached.

6:30 P. M., Pacific express, with sleeping cars through to Chicago without change, via St. C. Railroad, Lake L. and M. S. Railroad daily.

11:00 P. M., night express, sleeping cars attached.

7:15 A. M., 2:30 and 5 P. M., Poughkeepsie trains.

9:00 A. M., 4:15 and 5:50 P. M., Peekskill trains.

1:00 and 5:50 P. M., Sing Sing trains.

6:45, 7:30, 9:10 A. M., 12 M., 3, 4:25, 5:10, 7 and 11:30 P. M., Yonkers trains.

(9:00 A. M. to Poughkeepsie Sundays.)

NOV. 15, 1869. J. M. TOUCEY, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS WILL LEAVE all depots foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st. as follows:

Through Express trains, at 8 A. M., 10 A. M., 5:30 P. M. and 6:30 P. M., (daily.) New and improved Drawing-room Coaches will accompany the 8 A. M. train through to Buffalo, connecting at Hornellsville with magnificent Sleeping Coaches through to Cleveland and Galion. Sleeping Coaches will accompany the 10 A. M. train from Susquehanna to Buffalo; the 5:30 P. M. train to Buffalo and the 6:30 P. M. train to Rochester, Buffalo and Cincinnati. An emigrant train leaves daily at 8 P. M.

For Port Jervis and Way, 4:30 P. M., Orange County Express, (Sundays excepted,) connecting for Warwick, Montgomery, Guilford, Pine Island and Unionville.

For Middletown and Way, at 3:30 P. M.

For Otisville and Way, at 8:30 A. M. daily.

For Newburg and Way, at 8 A. M., 3:30 and 4:30 P. M.

For Suffern and Way, 5 P. M. and 6 P. M. Theatre train 11:30 P. M.

For Paterson and Way, from 23d-st. depot, at 6:45 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 12:45 P. M., 3:45 P. M., (daily,) 5:45 P. M., 8:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 6:45 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 12 M., 1:45 P. M., (daily,) 4 P. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M.

For Hackensack and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 8:45 A. M., 11:45 A. M., 3:45 P. M., 5:15 P. M., 6:45 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 12 M., 4 P. M., 5:15 P. M., 6 P. M. and 6:45 P. M.

For Piermont, Monsey and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 8:45 A. M., 12:45 P. M., *3:15 P. M., 4:15 P. M., 4:45 P. M., *6:15 P. M. and (Saturdays only) *12 midnight. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 1 P. M., *3:30 P. M., 4:45 P. M., 5:45 P. M., *6:30 P. M. and (Saturdays only) *12 midnight.

Tickets for passage and for apartments in Drawing-room and Sleeping Coaches can be obtained, and orders for the checking and transfer of baggage, may be left at the Company's offices, Nos. 241, 529 and 957 Broadway; corner 125th-st. and 3d-av., Harlem; No. 338 Fulton-st., Brooklyn; depots foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st., New-York; No. 3 Exchange-place and Long Dock Depot, Jersey City, and of the agents at the principal hotels.

L. D. BUCKER, Gen'l Sup't. WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass'r Ag't.

*To Piermont only.

SOUTH SIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.—Winter Arrangement.—On and after Oct. 25 the trains will leave the Roosevelt and Grand-st. Ferries as follows: 8:45 A. M., mail and passenger for Patchogue; 10 A. M., for Merrick; 3:30 P. M., express to Patchogue; 4:30 P. M., accommodation for Islip, on Saturdays through to Patchogue; 6:30 P. M., for Merrick, on Saturdays through to Babylon. All trains connect at Valley Stream, except the Merrick late and early trains.

C. W. DOUGLAS, Superintendent.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains will leave New-York by the Pavonia Ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: At 9 A. M., 1, 3:30, 4:15, 5:15 and 6:30 P. M., and at 12 midnight, on Saturdays. The 9:15 A. M. and 1, 4:15 and 5:15 P. M. trains run through to Monsey.

PROPOSALS.

SUPPLIES FOR THE U. S. NAVY.

OFFICE OF PURCHASING AND DISBURSING PAYMASTER U. S. N. AVY, No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Nov. 17, 1869.

Sealed proposals, to be indorsed on the envelope "Bids for Wire Rope Advertised," will be received at this office until 1 o'clock the 27th instant, for the following wire rope, to be delivered free of expense at the Navy Yard, New-York, viz.:

BUREAU OF EQUIPMENT AND RECRUITING.

1,741 feet 2¾ to 3½ inch wire rope, all to have a hemp heart, to be painted, and a tag of Roebling's manufacture, or of a kind equal to the same in all respects.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids that may not be deemed advantageous to the Government.

This rope is wanted for immediate use, and bidders are required to state in their proposals the date within which they will make delivery at the Navy Yard, for which responsible security will be required.

Blank forms, as usual, to be had at this office.

J. C. ELDREDGE, Paymaster U. S. Navy.

CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT.—To Contractors: Separate sealed proposals, each indorsed with the title of the work to which it relates, the name of the bidder and the date of the offering, will be received at this office until 11 o'clock A. M. of WEDNESDAY, Nov. 24, 1869, for the laying of the pavement known as the "Robbins Pre-Wood Pavement," at a price not exceeding five dollars and fifty cents per square yard, in Fourth-street, from Bowery to Mangin-street, and in Fifth-street, from the Bowery to Mangin-street. Also, for the laying of the pavement known as the "Stone Concession Pavement," at a price not exceeding five dollars per square yard, in Maiden-lane, (throughout,) in Fifteenth-street, from Broadway to Seventh-avenue, and in Seventh-avenue, from Fifteenth-street to Twenty-third-street, to be executed only from such persons as may be legally authorized to enter into contract. For further information, apply to the Contract Clerk at this office.

THOMAS STEPHENS, ROBERT L. DARRAGH, GEORGE A. GREENE, Croton Aqueduct Board.

ROTUNDA CITY HALL PARK, NOV. 10, 1869.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF YARDS AND DOCKS, WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 13, 1869.

SEALED PROPOSALS, INDORSED, "Proposals for Dredging Machines," will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. on the 14th day of December, for building and delivering two steam dredging machines; one at the Navy Yard, New-York, and the other at the Navy Yard, Philadelphia.

The machines must be of power and capacity to dig 2,000 cubic yards each per day of 10 hours, and be arranged to dig in water 36 feet deep.

Bidders are requested to furnish plans and specifications of their machines, with full description of materials, dimensions, &c., and state the amount for which they will engage to build and deliver them at the places named, on or before the 1st of March, 1870, and guarantee their successful operation and ability to perform the work as above.

The Bureau retains the right to reject any or all the offers, or to accept such as may be deemed best adapted to the character of the work to be done, although the price asked may be higher.

DANIEL AMMEN, Chief of Bureau of Yards and Docks.

PROPOSALS.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, Oct. 14, 1869.

Sealed proposals for furnishing Locks and Keys of new kinds, to be substituted for the Locks now in use on the United States mails, will be received at this Department until 2 o'clock A. M. the 22d February, 1870. It is desirable to obtain Locks and Keys of a new construction for the exclusive use of the United States mails, and, if practicable, prevented expressly for that purpose. As the exposure of a model Lock and Key to public examination would impair, if not destroy, its utility for the mails, the Department will not be ready for bidders, but relies for its selection on the specimens of mechanical skill and ingenuity which a fair competition among inventors, hereby invited, may develop. It is sufficient to describe the principal requisites of a Mail Lock, as follows: Self-locking, uniformity, security, lightness, strength, durability, novelty of construction, and facility of use. Two kinds of Locks and Keys, one of brass and the other of iron, different in exterior form and interior construction or arrangement, are required; and proposals should specify separately the price of each brass Lock, each Key for same, each iron Lock and each Key for same. Duplicate samples of each kind of Locks and Keys proposed are required to be submitted with the proposals; one of each sample Lock to be riveted up and finished, and another to be open or unriveted, so that its internal structure and arrangement may easily be examined. Every sample should be plainly marked with the bidder's name, and, if for sale or any part of it be covered by a patent, the date of such patent and the name of the patentee must also be attached thereto.

The internal plan or arrangement of the Locks offered, and the particular shape of the Key requisite to open them, must not be like any now or heretofore in use.

They must be warranted not to infringe upon or conflict with any patented invention of which the bidder is not the patentee. Preference will be given to a Lock the Key of which has not been exposed to general observation or been publicly described, disclosed or suggested.

A decision on the various specimens and proposals will be made on or before the 3d day of March, 1870; and, unless the Postmaster-General shall deem it to be for the interests of the Department to reject all the proposals and specimens submitted under this advertisement, (a right hereby expressly reserved to him,) contracts will be entered into as soon thereafter as practicable, with the successful bidder whose Locks shall be adopted, for furnishing similar Locks and Keys for four years, as they may be required and ordered. If mutually agreed to in writing by the contractor and the Postmaster-General for the time being, not less than six months previous to its expiration, the contract may be extended and continued for an additional term of four years. But on and after the expiration of either term of the contract, or on and after its rightful annulment at any time, the Postmaster-General shall have the right to contract with or employ any other party to furnish the same, or any other kind of Locks and Keys; and, if he shall deem proper, to demand and receive from the late or defaulting contractor all finished Locks and Keys and the internal parts of the Locks contracted for, and all dies, gauges, and designs (which would enable others to make or forge such Locks or Keys) in the possession of such contractor, who, after their surrender to the Department, shall be paid for the same at such price as may be ascertained by fair appraisement.

The contractor must agree and be able to furnish, if required and ordered by the Department, 5,000 Brass Locks and 5,000 Brass Keys within three months from the time of entering into contract, and 50,000 Iron Locks and 50,000 Iron Keys within ten months from such time. But the Postmaster-General will reserve the right to increase or diminish, as the wants or the interests of the service may demand, the quantities of the Locks and Keys above specified, with a proportionate allowance of time to furnish them.

All the Locks furnished by the contractor must be warranted to keep in good working order for two years in the ordinary use of the service, when not subjected to obvious violence; such as become defective within that time to be replaced with perfect Locks without charge. All the Locks furnished under contract are to be, each, distinctly marked "U. S. Mail," in either sunk or raised letters, and all the Keys are to be numbered in the natural order; each Key having its appropriate number distinctly stamped upon one side of the bow and "U. S. Mail" on the opposite side.

The contractor will be required to deliver the Locks at his own expense at the Post Office Department, Washington, D. C., put up on sticks, forming separate bundles of five Locks each, and securely packed in wooden boxes containing not more than two hundred Locks each. The Keys are also to be delivered to an agent of the Department duly and specially authorized in each case, to take charge of and convey the same from the contractor's manufactory to the Department, where both Locks and Keys are to be inspected and approved before they shall be paid for.

The contractor will be required to give bond with ample security in the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, to be forfeited to the United States as liquidated damages, in case of his failure to perform the terms of the contract, either as to furnishing the supplies ordered within a reasonable time, or as to guarding the manufacture of the Mail Locks and Keys with due propriety, integrity and care.

No proposal will therefore be accepted if not accompanied with a bond of the penal sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, duly executed by the proposed sureties, (whose responsibility must be certified by a Judge of a Court of Record nearest to their place of residence, attested by the Clerk of such Court under the seal thereof,) and, also, guaranteeing the bond as surety for the faithful performance of the contract, in case such proposals shall be accepted. The manufacture of Mail Locks and Keys is, of necessity, a highly important and delicate trust which the Department will confide to no bidder whose proposals are not also accompanied with testimonials of good character.

In deciding on the proposals and specimens the Postmaster-General will give a preference to select the Brass Lock of one bidder and the Iron Lock of another. He, therefore, reserves the right of contracting with different individuals for such different kinds of Locks as he may prefer.

Proposals should be carefully sealed and addressed to the "Second Assistant Postmaster-General," and indorsed on the envelope "Proposals for Mail Locks."

JOHN A. CRESWELL, Postmaster-General.

PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLYING WINTER-STRAINED OIL.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE LIGHTHOUSE BOARD, WASHINGTON CITY, Nov. 12, 1869.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 1 o'clock P. M., on MONDAY, the 6th day of December, 1869, for supplying the Lighthouse Establishment with eighty thousand (80,000) gallons of the best quality pure Winter-strained Oil, to be divided into five lots; and for further information apply at the office of the Lighthouse Board, or in person.

W. B. SHUBRICK, Chairman.

MUSICAL.

STEINWAY & SONS' GRAND, SQUARE AND UPRIGHT PIANOS.

RECIPIENTS OF THE FIRST GRAND GOLD MEDAL of Honor at the Exposition Universelle, Paris, 1867; the Grand Testimonial Medal of the Paris Societe des Beaux Arts, in the same year; the Grand Honorary Gold Medal of Merit, with the Crown and Ribbon from the King of Sweden and Norway, and the Academical Honors and Membership from the Royal Academies of Sciences and Arts of Berlin and Stockholm; and also of the First Prize Medal at the International Exhibition in London, 1862, together with thirty-five first-class premiums in the United States.

WAREROOMS, STEINWAY HALL, NOS. 109 AND 111 EAST 14TH-ST., NEW-YORK.

PIANOS, MELODEONS AND ORGANS.—Prices greatly reduced for cash. New 7-octavo pianos of first-class makers for $275 and upward. New cabinet organs for $45 and upward. Second-hand instruments from $50 to $75. Monthly installments received and instruments for rent. Warerooms No. 481 Broadway. HORACE WATERS.

THE MASON & HAMLIN ORGAN Company, manufacturers of first-class Organs only. The largest assortment in the country, at lowest prices, which are fixed and invariable; $80 to $1,000 each. Organs to rent. Warerooms, No. 596 Broadway.

PIANOFORTES.—SECOND-HAND PIANOS, of every square, upright and grand, of various makers, all in thorough order, for sale at low prices by CHICKERING & SONS, No. 11 East 14th-st., between Broadway and 5th-av.

RAVEN & BACON, (ESTABLISHED 1829,) Manufacturers of Grand and Square Pianofortes; warerooms, No. 648 Broadway, New-York. We are now exhibiting our scale Pianos, which are superior to any made. Call and examine before purchasing.

IF YOU WANT A GOOD PIANO, CHEAP, call at L. P. CUMMINGS' wareroom, 3 Union-sq. Sold on installments or rented, any way to suit customers. Only look at them before you decide elsewhere.

WANTED—BY A PUPIL OF QUERTO, A position as Soprano in a church. Address A. B., Station G, until Dec. 15.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NEW-YORK SUPREME COURT.—CITY and County of New-York.—MORRIS K. JESUP, SAMUEL A. STRANG and JOHN CREBAR against THE COLUMBIA AND AUGUSTA RAILROAD COMPANY and THE CHARLOTTE AND SOUTH CAROLINA RAILROAD COMPANY.—Summons for money demand on contract. (Com. not ser.)—To the above-named defendants, and each of them: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the City Hall, in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office, No. 96 Broadway, New-York City, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of four thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight dollars and fifty-six cents, with interest from the 7th day of September, 1869, besides the costs and disbursements of this action.—Dated 28th October, 1869.

STRONG & SHEPARD, Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

The complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court, in the County of New-York, at the City Hall in the City of New-York, on the 6th day of November, 1869.

STRONG & SHEPARD, Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

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SUPREME COURT, NEW-YORK County.—WILLIAM EWART and WILLIAM EWART, Junior, plaintiffs, against THE EL MOCULLUM, defendant.—Summons for money demand on contract.—(Com. not ser.)—To the defendant above named: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court in the County of New-York, at the City Hall in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint, on the subscribers at their office, No. 96 Broadway, New-York City, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of four thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight dollars and fifty-six cents, with interest from the 7th day of September, 1869, besides the costs and disbursements of this action.—Dated 28th October, 1869.

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FOSTER & THOMSON, Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

The complaint herein was filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York on the 23 day of September, 1869.

FOSTER & THOMSON, Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

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BOARD WANTED.

A PARTY OF THREE PERSONS DESIRE three large rooms, with board, in a private house; no other boarders are taken, or where private table can be given; location between 17th and 35th sts. and Lexington and 6th avs.; terms, $75 per week. Address W., Box No. 124 Times Office.

WANTED—BOARD, WITH PRIVATE TABLE, by a gentleman, wife, and two adult sons, between 20th and 40th sts., and 4th and 6th avs. Address, with terms, WINTHROP, Box No. 107 *Times* Office.

COUNTRY BOARD.

FALL AND WINTER BOARD IN THE country.—Two gentlemen and wives, or four ladies, can find a pleasant home on a farm; terms, fuel and light, $7 per week. Address H. E., Esopus, Ulster County, N. Y.

DRY GOODS.

ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO., BROADWAY, CORNER 19TH-ST., ARE OFFERING THEIR ENTIRE STOCK AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

ENGLISH DRESS GOODS at 20c. and 25c., (Reduced from 40c.)
YARD WIDE at 30c. and 35c. (Reduced from 60c.)
ALL-WOOL EMPRESS CLOTH at 50c., (Worth 70c.)

SHAWLS.

ALL WOOL LONG SHAWLS at $5, worth $7.
ALL WOOL LONG SHAWLS at $6, worth $8.
BROCHE SHAWLS at $10, worth $14.
BROCHE LONG SHAWLS at $15, worth $20.

BLANKETS.

LARGE SIZE ALL WOOL at $3 50, worth $5.
SUPERIOR FLANNELS at 30c. per yard.
YARD WIDE SHAKER ALL WOOL at 50c., worth 75c.

DOMESTICS AT PACKAGE PRICES.

LINENS.

10-4 LINEN SHEETINGS, 75c., worth $1.
NAPKINS, $1 25 per dozen.
GOOD LINEN TOWELS, $1 75, worth $2 50.

SILKS.

STRIPED AND PLAID SILKS at $1 25 per yard; cost $1 75.
PLAIN CHANGEABLE SILKS, $1 50 per yard; worth $2 50.
PLAIN CHANGEABLE SILKS, $2 per yard; worth $3.

BLACK SILKS OF SUPERIOR Q

NATIONAL CURRENCY FRAUDS.

Suspicions in the Treasury Department Aroused.

New Fractional Notes in Circulation in a Defective Manner.

OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION IN THIS CITY.

THE TIMES has just come into the possession of some very startling and important information regarding an investigation now being made on the part of the Treasury Department at Washington for the purpose, it is alleged, of discovering certain frauds supposed to be connected with the issuance of the new fractional currency. The secret way in which the official investigation has been conducted, the reticence maintained by the Government concerning it, and the subterfuges used to divert public attention from it, afford good ground for believing that a quantity of the new currency, how large cannot be estimated at present, has been put into circulation in a fraudulent and surreptitious manner. The investigation was held in this City, but originated with Secretary BOUTWELL. About two weeks ago the latter was informed by one of his subordinates that some of the recently-issued twenty-five cent stamps had been presented to the Treasury for redemption, and that the discovery was made that they were defective in one particular, being without the usual red Treasury seal on the face. The fact was not one calculated to excite surprise or to be generally observed by most people, but to the Secretary and his assistants it suggested one of two things, either that gross frauds had been perpetrated, or that extreme carelessness had been used in putting the seal on the new currency by those engaged in that duty. Nothing has been ascertained as yet, however, to indicate to what extent the defective currency exists, but the investigation now being pursued is likely to establish the requisite testimony.

The contract for printing the new currency notes was made by Mr. BOUTWELL, who divided the work between the American Bank Note Company and the National Bank Note Company of this City. The former Company was empowered to execute the work on the obverse of the ten cent and fifty cent notes, the reverse being done by the other Company. The backs on the fifteen and twenty-five cent stamps were printed by the National, the faces being executed by the American. When the backs are printed by one Company they go to the other Company for the faces, after which they are forwarded to the capital, where they receive the United States seal. They are then ready for use. It will become apparent to every reader from the above statement of the manner in which the currency is prepared, that the attempt to clear the mystery surrounding the defective stamps referred to must necessarily be very difficult and protracted. It will be necessary for the Treasury Department to find out every minute particular connected with the printing of the stamps, commencing from the time that the bank note paper is issued to the two engraving companies in this City. It is only by a thorough examination of this sort that the Secretary will be enabled to state whether any currency was abstracted in this City or Washington, or whether the seal was accidentally omitted from the stamps during the stamping process.

THE OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION.

On Tuesday last a Commission was sent to this City by Mr. BOUTWELL with a view of obtaining the exact number of fractional currency notes (both printed and partially printed) now in the possession of the American Bank Note Company and the National Bank Note Company. The party consisted of Mr. WILSON, Chief of the Redemption and Issue Bureau of the Treasury Department, Mr. GUTHRIE, Captain JOHNSON and Mr. LINCOLN, together with twenty ladies, who were detailed to count the blank sheets and partly printed money in the possession of both Companies. The Commission arrived here on Tuesday evening, but did not make any announcement of their presence. It was intimated, however, that they were sent here to count the gold at the Sub-Treasury, but this story was probably circulated in the hope that it would divert public attention from the true motive of their visit. The investigation, for which the Companies were prepared by the briefest kind of notice, was inaugurated on Wednesday. Mr. WILSON assigned ten counters to the American Bank Note Company, superintending their labors in person. Every facility was extended by the object of the Company to aid the officers of the Commission. The counting was carried on from day to day, finally terminating on Saturday last. During its progress the officers of the Commission declined to furnish any details concerning it, one of them announcing that himself and his associates were not at liberty to divulge the least thing about it. About three million bank note sheets were accounted by the American, amounting to $13,000,000 worth of ten cent and fifty cent stamps. Mr. WILSON returned to Washington on Saturday, and subsequently rendered his report to Acting Secretary RICHARDSON. The report was highly satisfactory, resulting in an order to Mr. YAVILL, President of the Company, in which he was directed to continue the printing of the money allotted the Company.

The investigation at the National Bank Note Company's office has not yet been completed. It is being conducted under the supervision of Mr. GUTHRIE. It is but just to the officers of the Company to state that they emphatically deny that the investigation is being conducted for the purpose of discovering any frauds.

A Railroad War in New-Jersey.

An injunction has been obtained by a part of the directors of the Montclair Railway, restraining the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company from entering into an agreement to construct a railway from Caldwell to Newark. An account of the commencement of hostilities between the projectors of the two routes appeared in these columns in June last. Since that time the difficulties have been adjusted, and operations have been commenced in Concord for the building of the Montclair Railway by a route different from that over which the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company propose to build. For nearly two years the Montclair Railway Company canvassed the town of Caldwell for subscriptions to aid the construction of this road direct to Montclair. About $130,000 in subscriptions were obtained, and the projectors had nearly obtained the consent of the property owners, when a disagreement arose between the Commissioners and the project was for a time allowed to rest. Soon afterward the gentlemen representing Caldwell in the Board commenced negotiations with the Morris and Essex Railroad Company (now Delaware, Lackawanna and Western) for the extension of their Bloomfield branch over the mountains into Caldwell, leaving the Montclair people in the cold. A charter was obtained and about $80,000 was subscribed. The required sum was $200,000, and the Montclair people, headed by Col. JULIUS PRATT, who acted in the interest of the Midland Railroad Company, of which the Montclair Railway is, if completed, to form a part, appeared at a meeting where subscriptions were solicited, subscribed for the majority of the stock, putting down the requisite ten per cent. in cash, and pocketed control of the scheme. The Caldwell enterprise was, of course, abandoned, for its enemies had possession of the papers, and had the power to do what they pleased. The Caldwell men defeated, as they were, in their scheme, came to terms, and agreed to join in building the Montclair Road. The final surveys were made, and work was commenced, when it was again rumored that the Caldwell men were in negotiations for the completion of their old project. The injunction was applied for, and was obtained, and the case will come up for argument in a few days. The Montclair Road will be but five miles in length, but it is important as a part of the Midland Railroad.

German in the Public Schools.

The Committee on By-laws, of the Board of Education, to whom was referred the subject of having the German language taught in the Public Schools, have held many sessions, and have listened to the views of representative Germans on the question, the result of which has been that the Committee have agreed upon a basis of adjustment of the controversy, which, it is believed, will be satisfactory to all parties. The report of the Committee will be presented for the consideration of the Board of Education this evening. Its main features are that the German language be allowed to be taught in those schools where a large portion of the pupils are of German parentage—the question to be determined by the School Trustees of the various wards inhabited chiefly, or in great part, by Germans. No extra expense is to be incurred by the Board of Education, but the money to be expended to give instruction in German are to be such as can teach English as well.

THE VANDERBILT BRONZES.

Dinner to the Press by Captain De Groot —Speeches by Horace Greeley, Mr. Halsey, Mr. Roosevelt, Captain De Groot and Others.

Captain ALBERT DE GROOT, the designer and executor of the original, historical and biographical group known as the Vanderbilt bronzes, gave an entertainment to the New-York Press at the Astor House last evening, which was attended by about fifty members of the editorial fraternity, representing all the leading papers of the City.

HORACE GREELEY presided, and after the sumptuous feast had been duly appreciated, proposed the health of the host, who responded as follows:

SPEECH OF CAPTAIN DE GROOT.

GENTLEMEN: I ask your kind indulgence while I make a remark or two by way of explaining my object in requesting the honor of your presence here. I will detain you but a single moment. At various times in my humble life the newspapers of New-York have shown me much kindness. They have spoken approvingly and generously of various enterprises in which I have been engaged. On the occasion of unveiling the Vanderbilt bronzes, last Wednesday, I desired to exhibit, in some slight way, my heartfelt gratitude to the Press. I wished to make some acknowledgment, especially of the encouragement which you had extended to me in the execution of that novel and difficult work. For this purpose an entertainment was provided, at which I had hoped to have had the great pleasure of meeting you and others of my friends. That part of the programme was intrusted to a sub-committee, who were as anxious as I was that it should go off well. But, owing to a slight misunderstanding as to time and place, I was deprived of the happiness of meeting you in the manner proposed. Before resuming my seat, gentlemen, let me again proffer my warmest thanks for the many kindnesses that I have received at your hands, and to express my pleasure at meeting you here to-night. I shall always look back to it as one of the proudest and happiest moments of my life.

Mr. COHEN then read a letter from C. S. GOODRICH, Esq., in which, after regretting his inability to be present at the entertainment, he said that the Vanderbilt bronzes, in magnitude and originality, excelled anything of the kind to be found in Europe, and that the work deserved hearty commendation for its originality and as an example for still greater achievements in the same line by American artists.

REMARKS OF MR. GREELEY.

The health of the Chairman having been drank, Mr. GREELEY responded by saying that the letter of Mr. GOODRICH had placed the work of his friend, Captain DE GROOT, on the true ground. For himself he did not pretend to be a judge of such works of art; but one thing he did know—a child always had to creep before it could walk. The great necessity of New-York at the present time was the cultivation of a taste for art among the people; and out-door works of art, like the Vanderbilt bronzes, helped to educate the children of this and coming generations. Therefore he honored Captain DE GROOT for having done thus much. He had given an example to wealthy men to adorn public buildings and public and private gardens with the best works of art that they could command. If this work of Captain DE GROOT should stimulate others to higher and better achievements in art, no one would be more pleased than him. As for the subject of these bronzes—Commodore VANDERBILT—he knew little of him personally. Their spheres of life had run in different channels; he had never been connected with him in business; had neither borrowed of him nor loaned to him; but he regarded him as among our most enterprising and far-sighted business men, and one of whom and of whose career Americans might well feel proud. In conclusion, he hoped the Press of New-York, of which he was glad to see so large a representation here, would often in future have occasion to commemorate the erection among us of works of art of which our City stood in so much need.

A toast to the Cincinnati Press was responded to briefly by Mr. HALSEY, of that city, following whom Mr. ROOSEVELT, of the *Citizen*, spoke for the weekly Press, and Mr. DUGANNE for the monthly Press.

OTHER SPEECHES.

Other gentlemen responded to different toasts during the evening, and the entertainment passed off in a very agreeable manner. A new work of art, by Captain DE GROOT, was exhibited in the dining room, consisting of a bronze medallion 5½ feet in height and nearly the same in width, in the centre of which was a life-size likeness of Commodore VANDERBILT, with a sailor on one side and an Indian in repose on the other, and the ocean in the background, with the steamship *Vanderbilt* in the distance. The weight of the bronze is over 1,000 pounds, and it is designed for a niche in the great railroad depot now in process of construction on Fourth-avenue, between Forty-second, Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets.

Captain DE GROOT said this was the first time the work had been exhibited, and, as a work of art, it appeared to favorably impress the spectators.

SISTER THERESA.

Her Lecture Last Night Concerning the Catholic Clergy—She Repeats Her Story and Uses Some Strong Language with Regard to Them.

Miss EDITH O'GORMAN, whose fortunes and misfortunes as Sister THERESA of the Catholic Convent in Hudson City, has formed the subject of many paragraphs in the newspapers, lectured in Jersey City last evening on the "Roman Catholic Clergy." She had delivered two lectures before her appearance last evening, and the manifestations of indignant feeling on the part of the Catholic portion of her audiences led to the expectation that an attack would be made upon her at her next appearance, or that, at the least, an attempt would be made to create a disturbance. No disturbance occurred, however. A large audience of the most respectable ladies and gentlemen of Jersey City were present, and policemen guarded the door. The lecture was delivered in the North Baptist Church. Miss O'GORMAN commenced her address by the assertion that the power of the Catholic clergy was almost unlimited, even in this land of free thought and free religion, and they used their power not for the good of the Catholic population but to extract money from their foolish dupes—money that was used in riotous living, debauchery and self-advancement. They preach what they do not practice, for they inculcate modesty and humility by their words, while their lives exhibit pride and intemperance. While they call upon their subjects to abstain from drink they themselves become often intoxicated, and in their drunken moments carry into practice the hellish designs of their sober moments. They know themselves that they are rogues and thieves and laugh at the simplicity of their dupes. God could be worshipped in plain churches as well as in costly temples; but to build these monuments to superstition the very life blood of the Catholic population is given. She referred to Spain and to France in proof of the pernicious influences of Romanism. The men in high places were profligate in expenditure. The church now being erected in Hudson City, at a cost of $100,000, was to supplant one which had been scarcely eight years built. They were extortionate. Each Catholic who listened to it, had to pay $1 for each mass said by a priest. The speaker then detailed some of the facts connected with her personal history. When she fled from the Convent in Hudson City, she went to Bishop SPAULDING, hoping to find redress for her wrongs. He treated her as no man would treat a woman. She left his house, feeling that the clergy, from the highest to the lowest, were rotten to the very core. From Baltimore she had walked to Philadelphia, and on her way stopped to see a distinguished priest, and asked for help to proceed on her way. He asked her to become his housekeeper, or pass herself off as his neice, saying that he knew she was a woman, and could not say "No" to such a proposal. In conclusion, the speaker said that the Roman Catholic religion could not last long. The end would soon be. She would risk her life to help its coming.

The Outrage on the Schooner John Atwood—Further Particulars.

We are enabled this morning to give further particulars of the outrage perpetrated upon the American schooner *John Atwood* in the port of Baracoa, Cuba, of which we made brief mention yesterday. The consignee of the vessel in Baracoa was Señor ALAYO, the American Consul at that port. The vessel cleared in regular form, and a pass was obtained permitting her to go by the Spanish fort, which pass was left, according to universal custom, with the consignee. While the schooner was in charge of the pilot, being towed out of port, she was hailed by a soldier on shore, who belonged to the Corporal's guard in charge of the fort. The Captain was informed by the pilot that the pass was demanded, and it was at once explained that the pass had been left with ALAYO. Not satisfied with this explanation, the soldier fired a rifle ball at the vessel. The main peak was immediately lowered, and every effort made to bring the vessel to. A boat also put off for the shore to make inquiry about the pass. Notwithstanding this compliance with every reasonable requirement of the case, the Spanish soldier took deliberate aim at one of the crew of the schooner while the vessel lay drifting, and shot him through both legs with a minie ball, in flagrant violation of the law of nations. The Captain was detained at Baracoa two days by the affair, and the wounded sailor was left in charge of a physician, and will probably never recover the use of his limbs. It appears that the pass for the schooner had not been sent in to the commander of the fort by Señor ALAYO, but in view of the prompt action of the Captain in lowering the main peak on the firing of the first shot, the subsequent shooting of one of the schooner's men was an outrage of the most flagrant description,

STARTLING RUMOR.

The Spanish Gunboats at Delamater's Said to be in Peril—Threatened Burning by the Cubans—What Our Government Will Do.

The work of completing the Spanish flotilla, now lying at the Delamater Iron Works, is proceeding rapidly, and there is every prospect of the vessels' completion by the first week in December. Moored in tiers, side by side, in the Delamater basin, the little craft present a busy scene. On their decks, joiners and ship carpenters are engaged in putting the finishing touches to the houses, companionways and rails; sailmakers and riggers are bending sails, rattling down and painting rigging and setting up shrouds and backstays; below and in the *cuisine*, cabinet makers, upholsterers and tinsmiths devote themselves to rendering the future homes of the nautical Dons as comfortable as possible. Still all this work and trouble may be of little service to Spain, inasmuch as the United States authorities are fully determined, for aught any one yet knows to the contrary, to hold the craft perpetually. The little armed steamer *Maria*, from the Navy Yard, watches faithfully over them while they are being worked upon. When ready for sea there is every probability that the authorities will remove the fleet to the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

A startling rumor is abroad, to the effect that the vessels are to be burned and scuttled by the enemies of Spain, while lying at their docks on the Hudson. There is good reason to believe that the friends of Cuba and Peru have long regarded them with anxiety. Fearing that our Government may be prevailed upon to release the craft, they will probably strike a desperate blow at them while yet there is time to do it. Dark November nights, when the storm-clouds hide the moon and stars, it will be very easy for some expert Hudson River pirate, in the pay of these enemies of Spain, to creep quietly along shore, enter the basin in his light shallop, dash the sides of the first two or three vessels in the tier with benzine, apply the torch, and in a few moments the whole will be ablaze. They are built of wood, moored side by side, and should a fresh breeze be blowing, a seaman knows at which end of the tier to start the fire so that it will burn rapidly and well. In such an event the fleet would be destroyed long before assistance could arrive, and if any vessels were saved from the devouring element, it would only be by scuttling and sinking them, which would attain the object of the incendiaries just as well as the destruction by fire. The rumor may be a groundless, but it is exceedingly probable. A strong guard of watchmen will be immediately placed on board the vessels, who will watch at night carefully, and suffer none to approach them.

The Spanish transport *Enterpe*, which returned from Havana a few days ago, is also at the Delamater Iron Works, undergoing repairs.

Meeting of the Gold Board—The Affairs of the Gold Exchange Bank.

The cashier of the Gold Exchange Bank, Mr. RUSSELL, yesterday afternoon, presented to the Gold Board, in compliance with its request, a statement of the financial condition of the Gold Exchange Bank, setting forth the following figures:

Cash in bank	$134,496 06
In Metropolitan Trust Company	100,000 00
Bills receivable	25,000 00
In other banks	12,000 00
Vault and fixtures	10,000 00
Fines, &c.	4,500 00
Liabilities	174,000 00
Claims to be litigated	53,000 00

Mr. RUSSELL declined to give the information desired in reference to brokers who have failed to make good their clearance since the 24th of September, on the ground of impropriety.

The report of the Clearing House Committee as printed, was read by sections, and adopted.

Mr. RUSSELL also stated that all outstanding accounts now in course of litigation between members of the Gold Board and the New-York Gold Exchange Bank would be referred to the Arbitration Committee for decision, and by their report the Gold Exchange Bank would cheerfully abide.

The resolutions adopted Monday denying all but members of the Gold Board the privileges of the Clearing House, were rescinded.

The Kings County Election Canvass.

The canvassers of Kings County yesterday completed the canvass of the returns of the city wards, excepting the returns which were regarded as fraudulent. These were returned to canvassers for correction. The returns from the Third District of the Twentieth Ward, notwithstanding the intimation of fraud in the matter of the votes for member of Assembly, Mr. W. W. GOODRICH claiming to have been cheated out of votes enough to defeat him, were adopted as correct.

Having finished the city wards, the Board proceeded to canvass the county towns, and will resume its business to-day.

Trap Shooting.

Mr. HENRY BERGH, President of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, sends us a note, in which he says that "the season being near when the 'sport,' as it is termed, of tying fowls to stones and otherwise, and shooting at them on a wager, is practiced, he would kindly, and in the spirit of humanity, remind all persons about to engage in this cruel and demoralizing pastime that it is contrary to law, and that the Society has taken the necessary measures to enforce the same by the arrest and punishment of offenders discovered in the violation thereof."

Colored Labor Meeting.

A meeting in the interest of colored workingmen was held last evening at Bethel Church, Sullivan-street, which was addressed by AARON A. BRADLEY, of Georgia, and Mr. TROOP, of this City. Mr. TROOP expressed the hearty cooperation of the national Labor Union with the purposes of the colored laborers, and urged them to organize themselves into unions and associations.

Mr. BRADLEY spoke at length on the conflict of labor and capital, especially as exemplified in the struggle of the negro race for its rights.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Nov. 16—11 A. M.—Consols open at 93¾ for both money and account. American Securities open quiet; United States Five-twenty Bonds, 1862, 83¾; 1865, Old, 82¼; 1867, 83¾; Ten-forties, 77¾. Erie Railway Shares, 20; Illinois Central, 98½; Atlantic and Great Western, 28.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 16—11 A. M.—COTTON—The market opens firmer. Middling Uplands, 11¾d.@11¾d.; Middling Orleans, 11¾d.@11¾d. The sales of the day are estimated at 12,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 9s. 10d. @ central for California White; 8s. 7d. for No. 2 Red Western, and 9s. for Red Winter.

LONDON, Nov. 16—1 P. M.—Consols, 93¾@93⅞ for both money and the account. United States Five-twenties, 1862, 83¼; 1865, old, 82; 1867, 83¼. Stocks firm; Erie Railway Shares, 20¼.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 16—1 P. M.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour, 22s. @ bbl. for Western Canal. Wheat, 8s. @ central for No. 2 Red Western, and 8s. 11d. for Red Winter.

The receipts of Wheat at this port for three days have been 17,500 quarters, of which 12,700 were American.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 16—2 P. M.—TRADE REPORT—The advices from Manchester are less favorable, and cause a dullness in the Cotton market.

LONDON, Nov. 16—4:30 P. M.—Consols closed at 93¾ for money and the account. United States Five-twenties, 1862, 83¼; 1865, old, 82; 1867, 83¾. Stocks firm; Erie Railway Shares, 20¼. Illinois Centrals, 98¼.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 16—4:30 P. M.—COTTON—The market closed dull at 11¾d. for Middling Uplands; 11¾d. for Middling Orleans. The sales of the day foot up 12,000 bales, of which 3,000 were taken for export and speculation.

BREADSTUFFS—The market closed dull and unchanged.

LONDON, Nov. 16—4:30 P. M.—Sugar, to arrive, dull. Other articles unchanged.

BREMEN, Nov. 16.—Petroleum opened quiet.

HAMBURG, Nov. 16.—Petroleum opened quiet.

PARIS, Nov. 16.—The Bourse opened quiet. Rentes, 71f. 85c.

FRANKFORT, Nov. 16.—United States Bonds opened firm; Five-twenties, of 1862, 89.

PARIS, Nov. 16.—Bourse closed firm; Rentes, 71f. 65c.

HAVRE, Nov. 16.—Cotton opened quiet for stock on spot and afloat.

ANTWERP, Nov. 16.—Petroleum opened firm but quiet; Standard White, 54 francs.

BREMEN, Nov. 16.—Petroleum closed flat.

HAMBURG, Nov. 16.—Petroleum closed flat.

HAVRE, Nov. 16.—Cotton closed quiet on spot and afloat.

ANTWERP, Nov. 16.—Petroleum closed quiet at 60¾ f. for Standard White.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—EXCHANGE, par@1-10 premium. FREIGHTS dull at 16¼c. on Wheat to Oswego. FLOUR dull for regular grades of Spring and Winter Extras; $6@7 75 for fair to choice Spring Extras; $4 @$5 50 for Fair to Choice. WHEAT steady at 87¼c.@ 91c. for No. 1; 86c.@86c. for No. 2, closing at 86¾c.@ 86¾c. for regular; 87¼c.@88c. for fresh receipts of No. 1; fair business done at the opening in No. 2 Spring at 86¼c.@86¼c., seller this month; 88¾c.@89¾c., buyer this month. CORN firm; No. 2, 74c.@76c.; in the afternoon the market was dull and unsettled at 75¾c. for No. 2, cash and seller November, 74cts firm at 73¼c.@ 73¾c. for No. 2. OATS firm at 39¼c.@39¾c. RYE active at 76c.@75c. for No. 2. BARLEY dull and nominal. HIGHWINES firm for free; buyers at $1. PROVISIONS firm. MESS PORK, $20 75@$20 87½ for Prime Mess. Beef HAMS, $23@$25. Rough SIDES, 14¼c.@14½c. Dry-salted SHOULDERS, loose, 11¾c.@11¾c. LARD, 16¼c.@ 16¾c. for steam, and 16¾c.@17¼c. for kettle-rendered. CATTLE firm at $4@$4 75 for common to good cows; $5@$7 50 for good to extra shipping Beeves. Live HOGS firm at $6 80@$6 90 for good to choice. RECEIPTS —11,000 bbls. Flour, 71,000 bushels Wheat, 21,000 bushels Corn, 43,000 bushels Oats, 1,000 bushels Rye, 16,000 bushels Barley, 3,400 Hogs. SHIPMENTS—14,000 bbls. Flour, 55,000 bushels Wheat, 56,000 bushels Corn, 78,000 bushels Oats, 1,000 bushels Rye, 12,000 bushels Barley, 1,200 Hogs.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 16.—TOBACCO dull and unchanged. COTTON dull at 32½c. FLOUR heavy; superfine, $3 50@$4 10; Extras, $4 15; Double Extra, $5; Treble Extra, $5 25@$5 75. WHEAT dull and unchanged. CORN firm; New Yellow, in bulk, 65c.; White, in sacks, 66c.; Old Mixed, 66c.@68c.; Prime to Choice White, 70c.@72c. OATS heavy; 35c.@36c. BARLEY dull; Choice to Fancy Minnesota, $1 17½@ $1 20. Rye dull at 85. BEE dull at 6@7c. WHISKY

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Nov. 16.—FLOUR dull and unchanged. Family, $6 25@$6 50. WHEAT dull; No. 1 White Red, $1 10. CORN advancing and scarce; No. 1, 66c. OATS firm at 36c.@36c. RYE dull and unchanged; No. 1, 85c. BARLEY dull and unchanged. COTTON advanced ¼c. with a better demand; Middlings 23¼c. TOBACCO in good demand; sales 55 hhds. at $5 30@$7 65¼. WHISKY firm at $1. PORK dull; held at $20. Bulk MEATS held at 13¼c. for Shoulders, and 16¼c.@16¾c. for Sides, packed and cured, with no demand. LARD in speculative demand and higher; Steam, 17c.; Kettle, 17¾c.@17¾c. Dressed HOGS active; sales at $10@$10 75; receipts, 4,200 head. GREEN MEATS sold at 11¾c.@12¼c.; held ¼c. higher; there is a good demand at lower rates, but the market is not active. BACON—No old in the market. MESS PORK—No old in the market. LARD—Stock of old reduced to 150 tcs. MONEY, 4@1-10 off, buying; par selling.

BUFFALO, Nov. 16.—RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; Wheat, 76,000 bushels; Corn, 12,000 bushels; Oats, 60,000 bushels; Barley, 4,000 bushels. SHIPMENTS —Wheat, 20,000 bushels; Corn, 25,000 bushels; Oats, 28,000 bushels; Barley, 5,000 bushels. FREIGHTS—20c. on Wheat, 17c. on Corn, and 11c. on Oats to New-York. FLOUR—There was only a retail trade. WHEAT dull and nominal. CORN stronger; sales 5,000 bushels No. 2 at 87c., in lots; 12,000 bushels at 86¾c.; 2,000 bushels at 86¾c.; 36,500 bushels at 85c. to arrive; 8,000 bushels at 86c., to arrive. OATS nominal at 31c. BARLEY neglected. RYE neglected. PORK, $20 50. LARD, $17c. HIGHWINES—Sales early of 50 bbls. at $1 05; held at $1 06 at the close.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 16.—COTTON more firm; Middling Uplands, 25c.; Middling Orleans, 25¼c. FLOUR inactive; Extras, $5 37½@$5 50; Ohio Extra Family, $6@$6 50; other grades unchanged. WHEAT in light demand; Western Red, $1 36@$1 37; Pennsylvania and Southern, $1 36@$1 40. RYE, $1 05. CORN held firmly; Yellow unchanged; Mixed Western, 86c. @87c. OATS firm at 60c. BARLEY unchanged. PETROLEUM—Refined lower; Crude held at 25c. COFFEE —Nothing doing. SUGAR steady; Cuba, 11¼c.@12¼c. Mess PORK declined to $21@$21 50. LARD, 17¼c.@ 17¾c. WHISKY advanced to $1 10@$1 12 for wood and iron bound.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 16.—COTTON firm and in fair demand; Low Middling at 24c.@24¼c. FLOUR dull and weak; Howard-street Superfine, $5@$5 37½; do. Extra, $5 50@$6 25; do. Family, $6 50@$7 50; City Mills Superfine, $5@$5; do. Extra, $6 75@$6 75; do. Family, $7@$9 25; Western Superfine, $5@$5 25; do. Extra, $5 50@$6; do. Family, $6 50@$7. WHEAT steady; Prime to Choice Red, $1 35@$1 37. CORN firm; Prime White New, 90c.@90c.; Old do., $1@$1 05. OATS dull at 58c.@58c. RYE dull at 86c. PROVISIONS unchanged. WHISKY steady at $1 06@$1 07.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 16.—COTTON quiet; Middling, 23¼c. FLOUR steady; Extra Family, $5 34. WHEAT quiet and unchanged. CORN firm at 85c. OATS firm at 50c. RYE quiet at 80c. Live HOGS active; light weight, $6 50@$6 10; Extra, $6 50. TOBACCO quiet; sales 87 hhds.; Lugs, $3 90; Leaf, $12. PROVISIONS quiet. Mess PORK, $20. BACON—Shoulders, 13c.; Clear Sides, 17c. Bulk MEATS—Shoulders, 13c.; Clear Rib Sides, 17c.; Clear Sides, 17¼c. LARD—Tierce, 17¼c. WHISKY, $1.

TOLEDO, Nov. 16.—FLOUR quiet and steady. WHEAT dull and declined 1c.; No. 1 White Michigan, $1 25; Amber, $1 09; No. 1 Red, $1 14; No. 2 Red, $1 08. CORN dull and unchanged; No. 1, 83c.; No. 2, 81c. OATS steady at 36c. RYE dull at 85c. FREIGHTS nominal. RECEIPTS—2,000 bbls. Flour, 17,000 bushels Wheat, 7,500 bushels Corn, 2,400 bushels Oats, 64,000 bushels Barley. SHIPMENTS—1,500 bbls. Flour, 1,400 bushels Wheat, 1,000 bushels Corn, 2,300 bushels Oats.

ALBANY, Nov. 16.—WHEAT quiet, with but little offering. RYE without sale. CORN has materially improved in value, with a steady but moderate demand; sales 700 bushels Western Mixed, in car lots, at $1@ $1 10 at East Albany. BARLEY to-day has been neglected. OATS rather active and firmer; sales 5,000 bushels State, in lots, at 65c.@66c. in bulk and bags.

CAMBRIDGE, Nov. 16.—BEEF CATTLE—Receipts 700 head; business active; sales of Extra at $12@$12 50; first quality, $11@$11 75; second quality, $10@$10 75; third quality, $7@$9 50. STORE and LAMBS—Receipts, 5,597 head; prices remain low and unsettled; sales of Extra at $3 50@$4 25. Spring LAMBS, $2 75@$4 50.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 16.—FLOUR dull and unchanged. WHEAT declining; No. 1, 92c.; No. 2, 86¾c. OATS nominal. CORN firm at 75c. for No. 2. RYE firm; No. 1, 73c. BARLEY unchanged. FREIGHTS unchanged. RECEIPTS—4,000 bbls Flour, 117,000 bushels Wheat. SHIPMENTS—18,000 bbls. Flour, 19,000 bushels Wheat.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 16.—WHEAT dull and unchanged. CORN steady and unchanged. OATS quiet and unchanged. RYE quiet and unchanged. BARLEY nominal.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 16.—COTTON closed ¼c.@½c. higher; sales, 550 bales; the stock is light; Middlings, 24c.; receipts, 1,558 bales; exports, coastwise, 1,440 bales; to France, 1,218 bales.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Nov. 16.—Spirits of TURPENTINE firm at 42¼c. RESIN steady at $1 60 for Strained. Crude TURPENTINE and TAR firm, but unchanged. COTTON, 23¼c.@23 11-16c.

NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 16.—COTTON closed active; net receipts, 1,275 bales; exports, coastwise, 90 bales; sales, 275 bales; Low Middling, 23¼c.@24c.

DETROIT, Nov. 16.—FLOUR quiet and unchanged. WHEAT declined 3c.; Extra White, $1 29; No. 1 White, $1 18; Amber, $1 06; Regular, $1 00.

Philadelphia Stock Board.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 16.—Stocks steady; Pennsylvania State Sixes, third issue, 106; Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, 28; Reading Railroad, 48 7-16; Pennsylvania Railroad, 53¾. Gold, 127¼.

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One of the signs of the times, and a very great sign indeed, is that sign of KNOX, the hatter, corner of Broadway and Fulton-st. It is an ominous sign, too, to all who think that KNOX did intend to retire and leave the field to his unsuccessful competitors. When a man puts up a sign like the one recently erected by KNOX, he means business, and that is just what KNOX means. He means to sell more Hats and Furs this Fall than ever. And what is more, he will do it. Remember the big sign of KNOX'S when you desire a stylish hat or fine furs. KNOX can accommodate you at low prices.

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Nemesis	Nov. 17..	New-York.....Liverpool.
Nebraska	Nov. 17..	New-York.....Liverpool.
Malta	Nov. 18..	New-York.....Liverpool.
Donau	Nov. 18..	New-York.....Bremen.
City of London	Nov. 20..	New-York.....Liverpool.
Paraguay	Nov. 20..	New-York.....London.
Iowa	Nov. 20..	New-York.....Liverpool.

FOR HAVANA, &C.

Cleopatra	Nov. 16..	New-York.....Vera Cruz.
Eagle	Nov. 18..	New-York.....Havana.
Alaska	Nov. 20..	New-York.....Aspinwall.

Departure of Foreign Mails.

WEDNESDAY.

Mails for Europe, *via* Queenenstown and Liverpool, by the *Nemesis*, close at the General Post Office at 12 M Supplementary Mail for *paid* letters only on the Pier, Jersey City, to 1:45 P. M.

Closing of Domestic Mails.

North, Poughkeepsie Way	5 A. M.; 2 P. M.
North, through old R. R. and New-York Central	5 A. M.; 4:30, 9 P. M.
North Way, *via* Harlem R. R., Chatham Four Corners	5 A. M.
East, *via* New-Haven	5 A. M.; 1:30, 6 P. M.
East, *via* Newport	5 A. M.; 2 P. M.
East, New-Haven Way	5 A. M.; 2:30 P. M.
East, Fall River, rail	6 P. M.
South, Through	7 A. M.; 7:30 P. M.
Philadelphia Way	5 A. M.; 4:30 P. M.
West Mail, through to Harrisburg, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Louisville, Indianapolis, Columbus, Chicago, St. Paul, St. Joseph, Salt Lake and Denver	7 A. M.; 4:30 P. M.
West Mail, through to Cleveland, Toledo, and by A. & G. Western R. R. to Franklin and Meadville, Penn., &c.	5 A. M.; 4:30 P. M.

Passengers Sailed.

NOV. 16—*In steamship Westphalia, for Hamburg.*—Countess de la Roche, Miss Nettie Price, C. J. Oppenheim, W. E. Bailey and lady, William Richards, lady and family, G. L. Pratt and lady, Thomas Johnston, Caleb Huse, Francis Hernsheim, Edward Hernsheim, Master Rosa Townsend, F. Kirchbacher, Ph. H. Hill, A. W. Maas, L. Mendelson, Charles Schoenbein, Max Wohlgemuth, Isaac Flagg, David Johnson, E. F. Hutchinson and daughter, C. Lange, wife and son, Albert Scarica, Charles J. Hoffmann, Mrs. Agnes Schoenbein, Mrs. Elise Mayne and child, and others in the steerage.

Passengers Arrived.

NOV. 16—*In steamship Russia, from Liverpool.*—Mrs. and Miss Harrison, Miss Minot, Miss Goodnow, Mrs. H. H. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. C. Green, M. McMichael, W. McMichael, Mrs. McMichael, Miss M. McMichael, Mrs. C. C. Jackson, Mrs. H. O. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wickersen, and A. Bryson. Mr. Knight, Sr., Miss Knight, Mrs. Loomis, J. K. Taylor, J. K. Skiddy, Miss Nickerson and sister, Miss Ladd, Miss Utter, R. F. Davis, Charles Davis, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Boutteller, Dr. Leo Boutteller, Hon. and Rev. James Lee, D. D. Sheldon, Mr. Sanderson, Mr. Grieveson, Mr. Collins, E. May, A. Low, W. Hutchison, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Camessa and daughter, G. Cockran, Rev. H. E. Hulse and lady, Mrs. Andrews, 2 children and nurse, Miss Mackay, Miss Glenn, Miss S. D. Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hendrick, Mr. Collents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wilson, Mrs. Crowninshield and daughter, Miss Chadwick, Mrs. Brandt, B. Stoudinger, Mr. Robert, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bonner, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Fisher, Miss Fisher, F. S. Grand de Hauteville, R. Garrett, Mrs. Neff, H. Morgan and three daughters, Mr. and Mrs. A. Belmont, Miss Belmont and sister, Master Belmont and brother, governess and 3 servants, Miss Weston and maid, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bryant and 3 children, General M. Gurney, Dr. Chandler, Miss Chandler and sister, S. Low, Mr. and Mrs. Gans, Mr. Walbridge, D. Parrish, Mr. Kennard, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bullock, Miss Bullock, Chas. Schmitz, P. Marie, R. Forsyth, Mr. Bustard, Miss Withnell, Miss M. A. Smith, Mr. and Mr